



Request for Approval of Financial Contribution to George Washington Carver School of Arts and Sciences

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SCUSD Core Value & Guiding Principle

CORE BELIEF

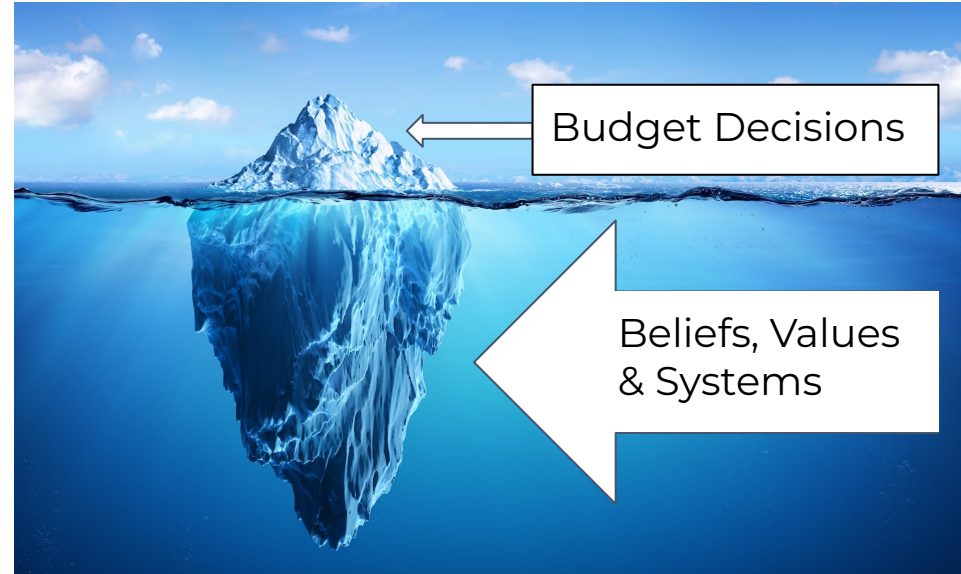
We recognize that our system is inequitable by design and we vigilantly work to confront and interrupt inequities that exist to level the playing field and **provide opportunities for everyone to learn, grow and reach their greatness.**

SCUSD GUIDING PRINCIPLE

All students are given an equal opportunity to graduate with the greatest number of postsecondary choices from the widest array of options

Agenda

- **Explanation of Contributions**
- **Recent Fiscal History**
- **Decision Impacts**
- **Formal Request**



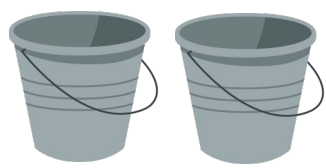
Contribution

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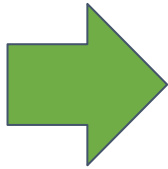
Contributions are for:

- legally required transfers
- legally permissive transfers
- a required funding match
- coverage of a program operating deficit





Other Funds (Early Childhood, Adult Ed, Etc)



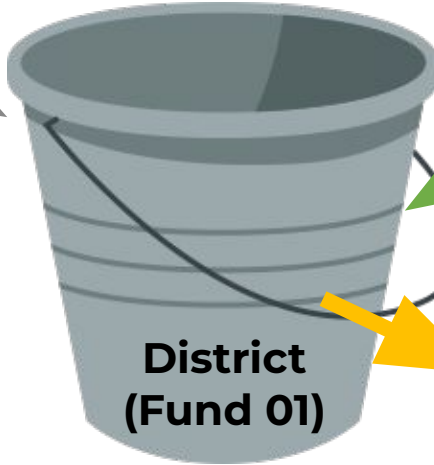
**Charter Schools
(Fund 09)**



Each Charter School receives its own dollars based on state/federal apportionment. Each Charter School's expenses are paid out of their own "bucket".



The Charter School pays the district for oversight, Special Education, and Purchased Services



**District
(Fund 01)**



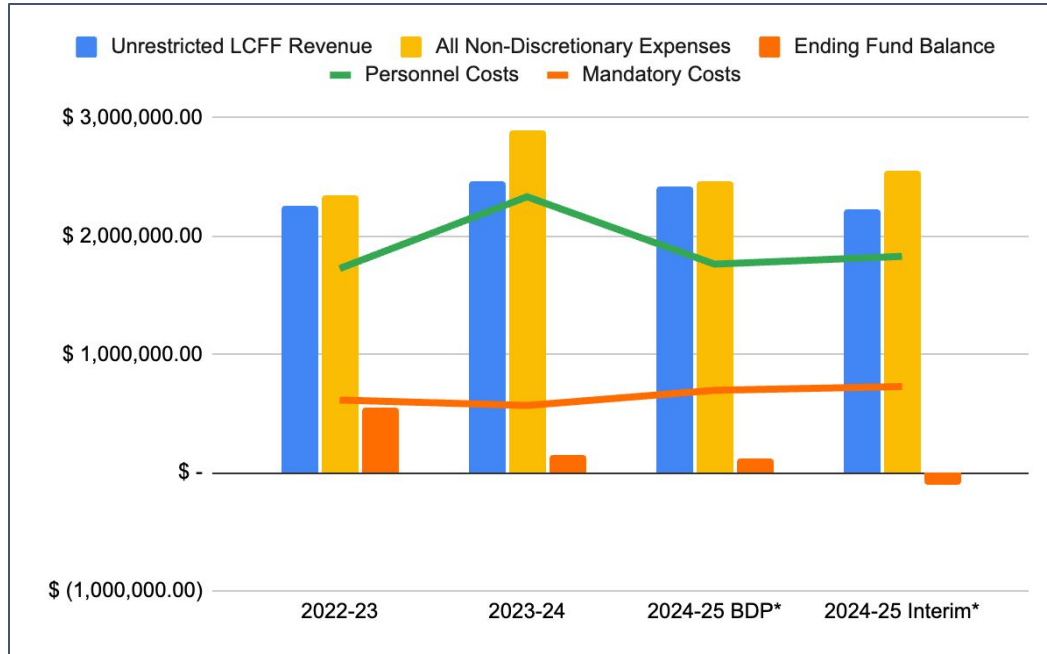
CONTRIBUTION
Board approves transfer of District Dollars to a Charter Location to cover a specific cost.



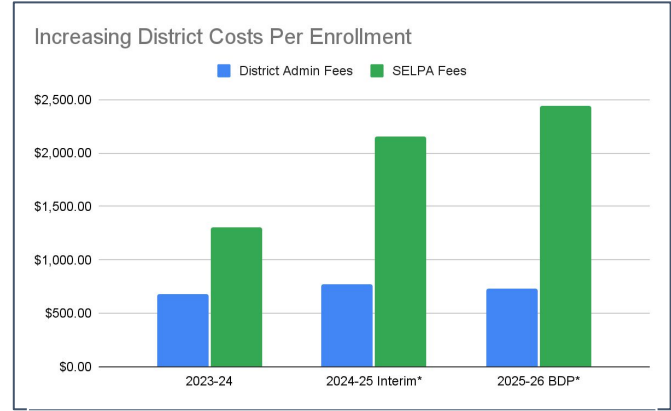
Explanation of Contributions

Recent Fiscal History

George Washington Carver



*Non-Discretionary Expenses = All expenses that site leader has limited ability to impact (personnel costs, facility, utilities, and fees to the district)



Corrective Steps:

- FTE and cost reduction
- ADA increases
- Improved ADA projections
- Additional funding
- Improved District-Charter Collaboration

Approval

- **On District Budget**
 - Reduced Overall Ending Fund Balance by ~\$221,000
 - SELPA receives all expected revenue
- **On District Staff**
 - District staff are fully compensated for 2024-25 and remain in their positions for 2025-26
- **On Community**
 - School will remain open (pending renewal) for 2025-26
 - Community is on notice of need to balance the budget through increased revenue and decreased costs
 - Board may request regular fiscal updates

Denial - May trigger immediate school closure

- **On District Budget**
 - District responsible for unpaid costs to SELPA (~\$97,000)
 - District responsible closure costs, unused facility expenses, and unplaced personnel costs
- **On District Staff**
 - District staff would be relocated to vacant positions where possible. Overall FTE would likely be reduced.
- **On Community**
 - Community is in suspense as to if school will remain open in 2025-26 school year
 - Closure could occur with limited to no community engagement

Decision Impacts

Request for Approval of Contribution

- In collaboration with District staff, **Carver is requesting Board approval for the transfer of up to \$221,000 from the District's general fund to the Charter School's budget location in Fund 09. Staff recommend approval.**
- That amount comprises
 - \$97,000 to cover remaining SELPA contribution to District
 - \$124,000 to establish minimum required reserve for 2025-26.



**THANK YOU &
QUESTIONS**