In the 2021-22 funding cycle, the state of California is providing one-time Educator Effectiveness funds. Based on all school FTE, SELS was awarded $38,894 to be spent any time over the next four years.

Educator Effectiveness funds may be used to support the professional development of certificated teachers, administrators, and paraprofessional educators. Funds can be expended for any of the following purposes:

1. Coaching and mentoring of staff serving in an instructional setting and beginning teacher or administrator induction, including, but not limited to, coaching and mentoring solutions that address a local need for teachers that can serve all pupil populations with a focus on retaining teachers, and offering structured feedback and coaching systems organized around social-emotional learning, including, but not limited to, promoting teacher self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, relationships, and responsible decision making skills, improving teacher attitudes and beliefs about one’s self and others, and supporting learning communities for educators to engage in a meaningful classroom teaching experience.

2. Programs that lead to effective, standards-aligned instruction and improve instruction in literacy across all subject areas, including English language arts, history-social science, science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and computer science.

3. Practices and strategies that reengage pupils and lead to accelerated learning.

4. Strategies to implement social-emotional learning, trauma-informed practices, suicide prevention, access to mental health services, and other approaches that improve pupil well-being.

5. Practices to create a positive school climate, including, but not limited to, restorative justice, training around implicit bias, providing positive behavioral supports, multitiered systems of support, transforming a schoolsite’s culture to one that values diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds, and preventing discrimination, harassment, bullying, and intimidation based on actual or perceived characteristics, including disability, gender, gender identity, gender expression, language, nationality, race or ethnicity, religion, or sexual orientation.

6. Strategies to improve inclusive practices, including, but not limited to, universal design for learning, best practices for early identification, and development of individualized education programs for individuals with exceptional needs.

7. Instruction and education to support implementing effective language acquisition programs for English learners, which may include integrated language development within and across content areas, and building and strengthening capacity to increase bilingual and biliterate proficiency.

8. New professional learning networks for educators not already engaged in an education-related professional learning network to support the requirements of subdivision (c).

9. Instruction, education, and strategies to incorporate ethnic studies curricula adopted pursuant to EC Section 51226.7 into pupil instruction for grades 7 to 12, inclusive.

10. Instruction, education, and strategies for certificated and classified educators in early childhood education, or childhood development.

Because SELS is continually part of professional development through EL Education (our affiliated educational network of schools), we have committed the entirety of these funds to our network.
contracts from 2021-22 to 2025-26 (or until funds are exhausted) contract with EL Education. In this contract, these funds will support on-site visits from an EL Education School Designer who works with school personnel to facilitate professional development with classroom teachers around implementation of Common Core State Standards, best teaching practices, and curriculum mapping/alignment. The funds will additionally support SELS staff participation in off-site professional development and conferences.