Adequately and Equitably Fund District Schools to at Least the National Median per Pupil Funding

- Provide additional state funding for nationally competitive salaries to attract, recruit, and retain talented teachers and staff.
- Revise the School Finance formula to:
    - Provide a stable, dedicated revenue source less reliant on the general fund or annual legislative appropriation.
    - Ensure the formula addresses the unique financial needs of schools serving students in poverty and in rural schools.
- Fully fund full-day kindergarten and include kindergarten students in the override calculations.
- Advocate to preserve and protect the voters' original intent of Prop 301.
- Provide adequate ongoing resources to ensure district equipment and facilities are maintained and comply with at least minimum school facility standards.
- Accelerate full restoration of district additional assistance (DAA) funding.
- Provide new school construction funding for site acquisition, design, and construction before existing schools exceed their maximum capacity and become overcrowded.
- Eliminate unfunded mandates and administrative burdens.
- Return desegregation funding to a primary tax levy.
- Conduct an exceptional student services cost study to provide greater equity in funding and access for exceptional student services within the public-school system.
- Adequately fund the cost of student transportation.
- Provide funding for preschool programs.
- Reform current year funding to a system that provides districts with appropriate stable annual budgeting ability and technical reliability.
- Prorate funding over the entire school year among all schools that a student has attended during the year for any student that changes enrollment during the year but has not moved.
- Provide funding to individual districts to implement locally directed school safety initiatives.

Preserve and Strengthen Local Control

- Maximize local control and flexibility in managing funds and programs.
- Maintain board control of all secondary property tax levies for district schools.
- Change "override/budget increase" language to better reflect what voters are being asked to support.

- Allow school districts greater flexibility in the divestiture or use of taxpayer-funded assets.
- Preserve elected governing boards as the final authority in selecting qualified vendors to provide products or services to school districts.
- Allow districts the option to operate individual schools for 200-day years and increase accompanying funding.
- Oppose legislative intrusion on school site budgeting decisions.
- Maintain exclusive local authority over any measure that would propose to consolidate and/or unify any number of school districts into a larger school district.

Improve Outcomes for All Students

- Increase the compulsory attendance age from 16 to 18 years.
- Enact research-based reform of the English Language Learner model of instruction to improve student achievement that does not segregate English Language Learners from English speaking peers; integrates reading, writing and oral language instruction; and incorporates multiple assessment measures to demonstrate English proficiency.
- Fully restore 9th grade CTE/JTED eligibility and funding to allow students to explore career fields and/or certification completion.
- Allow JTEDs to serve students through age 21 regardless of graduation status.
- Support policy that recognizes and respects teaching as a profession.
- State standardized testing shall not be used for any purpose other than a year over year measurement of student growth in the tested subject.
- Support policy that protects school district employees and students from discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity.

Require Public Accountability for Taxpayer Dollars Spent on Education

- Establish financial and academic transparency for all institutions that accept public funds.
- Repeal any program that gives public funds for private schools, vouchers (Empowerment Scholarship Accounts) and private school subsidies (Student Tuition Organizations) and prevent any future expansion.
- Require comparative classroom spending audits for school districts and all other institutions that accept public funds and define “classroom spending” as both instructional spending and student support spending.
- Require consistency in the recusal of a board member from a decision in which the member or the member’s employer stands to benefit financially.
- Enforce financial requirements and seek recovery of improperly received and/or expended public funds by charter and private schools and organizations.