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To: District Superintendents
Chief Business Officers, Business Directors/Managers of Business

From: Marisol Verduzco
Chief Business & Administrative Services Officer

Subject: Publication Notices of Public Hearing and Inspection of 2024-2025
Proposed Budget

A public notification must be provided of the dates and location at which your district's proposed budget may be inspected by the public and the date, time, and location of the public hearing on your proposed budget.

Education Code §42103(d) was amended effective January 1, 2024, by AB 721 Chapter 811 on October 12, 2023, to read that the public notification "shall be published by the school or the county superintendent of schools on behalf of the school district, in a newspaper of general circulation." In the past, the statutory responsibility of providing a public notification belonged to the county superintendent. In addition, the Education Code was amended to state that "a school district may also post the public notice on the school district's internet website. The notification must be published no less than 10 days prior to the date set for the public hearing of the proposed budget.

*Effective January 1, 2027, Education Code §42103(d) states that requiring to publish a public notification in a newspaper of general circulation will be repealed and replaced with the requirement that each school district shall post the public notification prominently on the homepage of the internet website of the school district. In addition, each county superintendent of schools shall verify that the posting requirement is met for all school districts in their jurisdiction. **However, we highly encourage you to begin posting the public notification on your website this year.***

Although not required by law, Madera County Superintendent of Schools (MCSOS) recommends informing the community of the public hearing requirements for the proposed Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) through the same publication notice.

In order for MCSOS to comply with the publication requirement, we had previously emailed the “Notice of Public Hearing” publication form to each District’s Chief Business Officials, to complete and return to us by Monday, April 8, 2024.

Listed below are the Education Codes pertinent to the public hearing requirements for a proposed budget and a proposed LCAP:

- Education Code §42103, Proposed budget; public hearing; public inspection; publication
- Assembly Bill No. 721, Chapter 811, amendment to Education Code §42103
- Education Code §42127(a)(2), Formulation, adoption, approval, and revision of budget; procedure
- Education Code §52062(b)(1)(2), Conditions precedent to consideration of adoption of local control and accountability plan by governing board of school district; duties of superintendent of school district; public hearing; adoption of revisions

Madera County Superintendent of Schools will continue to cover the cost of the publication notice through the 2026-2027 Proposed Budget.