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A Report on the

State of Education in El Dorado County 2009-10

El Dorado County Board of Supervisors
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•Education in El Dorado County is Really Big Business

- Total Employees over 6,000
- Over $308 million in expenditures for all entities
- Total payroll (salary and benefit costs) over $220 million annually

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County Office of Education

- 58 County Offices of Education
  - 53 Elected
  - 5 Appointed

- Primary Roles
  - Intermediate Education Unit
  - Provider of Student Programs/Services
  - Coordination and Collaboration Convenor
  - Public Education Advocate

El Dorado County Schools

# of School Districts	
Elementary	12
High School	1
Unified	2
TOTAL	15

Size of School Districts	
Under 1,000	8
1,000 to 1,999	3
2,000 to 3,999	1
4,000 or more	3
TOTAL	15

# of Schools	
Elementary	31
Middle/Junior High	12
High School	6
Continuation	5
Charter	8
Alternative	8
TOTAL	70

•Students Served by District From the littlest to the largest

October 2009 Count	
Silver Fork Elementary	13
Indian Diggings Elementary	23
Latrobe Elementary	178
Pioneer Union Elementary	403
Gamma Union Elementary	426
Gold Trail Union Elementary	542
Gold Oak Union Elementary	589
Pollock Pines Elementary	720
Placerville Union Elementary	1,211
Mother Lode Union Elementary	1,356
Black Oak Mine Unified	1,650
Lake Tahoe Unified	3,966
Rescue Union Elementary	4,136
Buckeye Union Elementary	4,743
El Dorado Union High School	7,062
Total K-12 Districts	27,018
El Dorado County Office	1,096
Total	28,114

Note: Enrollment count does not include Cathedral Discovery, Project Choice, School in Buckeye Union Elementary.

•Change in Population by Grade Level (1995 to 2009)

	1995	2009	Change
K	2,042	2,016	(26)
1	2,106	1,953	(153)
2	2,243	1,993	(250)
3	2,146	1,942	(204)
4	2,179	1,973	(206)
5	2,259	2,081	(178)
6	2,280	2,077	(203)
7	2,180	2,171	(9)
8	2,334	2,259	25
9	2,466	2,312	(154)
10	2,264	2,504	240
11	1,993	2,323	330
12	1,635	2,364	729
Other	605	246	(359)
Total	28,632	28,114	(518)

Note: Enrollment count does not include Cathedral Discovery, Project Choice, School in Buckeye Union Elementary.

•District Enrollment Changes 1995 to 2009

DISTRICT	1995	2009	Change	% Change
Black Oak Mine Unified	2,181	1,650	(531)	[illegible]
Buckeye Union Elementary	3,451	4,743	1,292	37.44%
Camino Union Elementary	559	426	(133)	[illegible]
El Dorado Union High School	5,760	7,062	1,302	22.60%
Gold Oak Union Elementary	976	589	(387)	[illegible]
Gold Trail Union Elementary	713	542	(171)	[illegible]
Indian Diggings Elementary	32	23	(9)	[illegible]
Lake Tahoe Unified	5,845	3,966	(1,879)	[illegible]
Latrobe Elementary	148	178	30	20.27%
Mother Lode Union Elementary	1,804	1,356	(448)	[illegible]
Pioneer Union Elementary	732	403	(329)	[illegible]
Placerville Union Elementary	1,521	1,211	(310)	[illegible]
Pollock Pines Elementary	1,141	720	(421)	[illegible]
Rescue Union Elementary	2,838	4,136	1,298	45.73%
Silver Fork Elementary	38	13	(25)	[illegible]
El Dorado County Office	893	1,096	203	22.73%
Total	28,632	28,114	(518)	[illegible]

Note: Enrollment count does not include California Montessori Project Charter School in Buckeye Union Elementary.

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Enrollment by Ethnic Group

El Dorado County October 2008 Counts	Students	% of Total		State of CA (2007)
Native American				
Latino				
African American				
Multiple, no response		4.55%		3.05%
Total	28,588	100.00%		100.00%

Note: Enrollment count does not include California Montessori Project Charter School in Buckeye Union Elementary.

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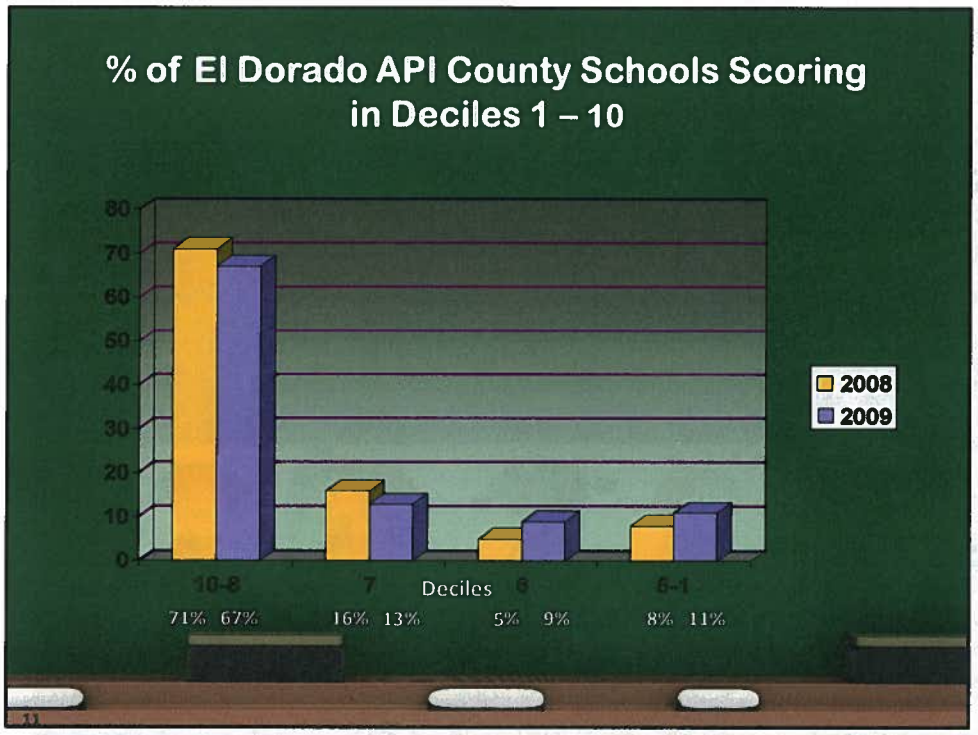
Percent of El Dorado County Students by Ethnicity

Year	White	Hispanic	Asian
2008	74.41%	13.23%	2.77%
2005	78.4%	12.1%	2.2%
2002	82%	11.3%	1.7%
1999	84.1%	10%	1.4%
1996	86%	8.9%	1.0%
1993	88.1%	7.1%	0.9%

El Dorado County API School Ranking

- All schools in California are given an API Score
- The schools are then sorted from lowest to highest statewide
- The schools are then divided into 10 equal grc
- Decile 10 schools are the top 10% of the schools while Decile 1 schools are the bottom 10%


% of El Dorado API County Schools Scoring in Deciles 1 – 10
80
70
60
50
40
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2008
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Deciles
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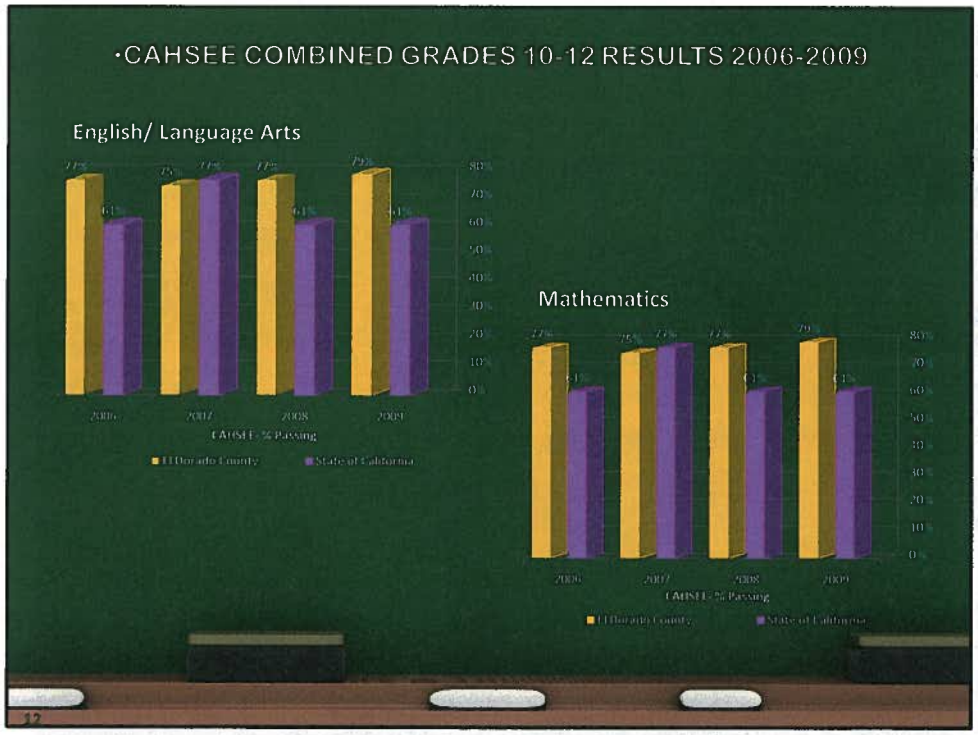
6-1
71% 67%
16% 13%
5% 9%
8% 11%


•CAHSEE COMBINED GRADES 10-12 RESULTS 2006-2009
English/ Language Arts
Mathematics

El Dorado County Drop Out Rates for 2007-2008

District	4 Year	1 Year
· El Dorado Union High SD	5.5%	1.4%
· Lake Tahoe USD	22.7%	6.5%
· Black Oak Mine USD	4.9%	1.3%
· El Dorado County	14.0%	3.7%
· State of California	15.3%	3.9%

•El Dorado County's Recognized Schools

California Distinguished Schools
35 schools from 1988-2009

National Blue Ribbon Schools

- Louisiana Schnell School (Placerville USD)
- Blue Oak School (Buckeye USD)
- Rolling Hills Middle School (Buckeye USD)
- Lake Forest School (Rescue USD)
- Oak Ridge High School (El Dorado Union HSD)
- Sierra Elementary School(Placerville USD)

National Distinguished School Title I

- Camino Elementary School (Camino USD)
- Sierra Elementary School (Placerville USD)

Special Recognition! South Tahoe High School was recently recognized as one of the top 5% of the best high schools in the country by Newsweek Magazine! (based on how hard school staffs work to challenge students with advanced-placement college-level courses and tests) Only 6% of all public schools in the US made the list.

How are schools funded?

Part State Funds (Prop 98)

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Part Local Fund (Property Taxes)

+

Part Federal Funds

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•State Forecast

- State projects approximate $20 billion shortfall for each year over the next 5 years

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...a little California History

The Origin of the State's Budget Gap

- In 1998/99, the State's budget was balanced and projected to remain in balance.

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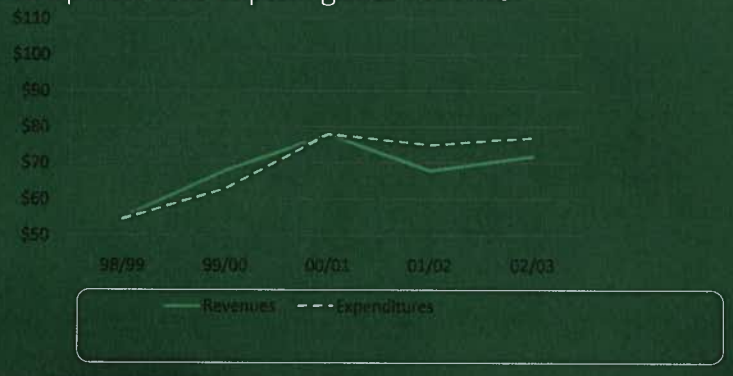
...a little *more* California History

One year later, revenues increased by 23 percent, due to a stock market and dot-com boom that drove unprecedented increases in stock option and capital gains income.



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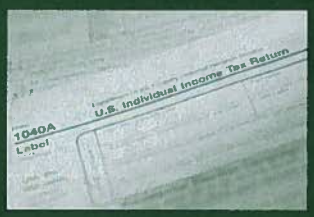
Consequences of Past Budgets

- Much of the current circumstance can be traced to past Budgets
  - From 2002 through 2007, California's economy was strong
  - But we had a Budget crisis every year
  - State spending exceeded the revenues produced even in these good years
- Use of one-time dollars, delayed apportionments, creative accounting, and "gimmicks" allowed the state to avoid dealing with fundamental problems

Revenue Volatility

- ½ of State Revenues comes from Personal Income Tax
- In 2006, the top 1% of earners paid 48% of all income taxes
- Heavily reliant on capital gains
- Causes State revenues to rise and fall with the markets



What Does It Mean to Be Protected?

- The Governor featured "protecting education" as a major theme – does that mean no cuts? No!
- But it does mean:
  - No midyear cuts to school agencies for 2009-10
  - Lower-than-proportional reductions for 2010-11
    - Education makes up about half the Budget, but takes about a fourth of the cuts
- So, while there is room for improvement, the protection offered is the best we have had in the past three years

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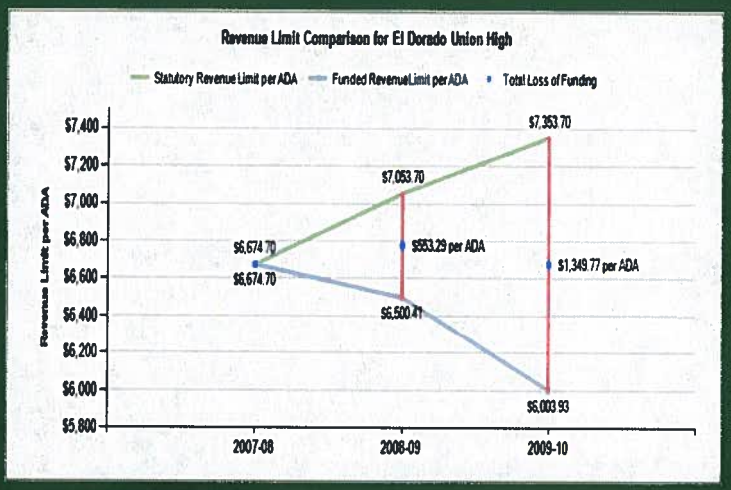
How much have El Dorado schools lost?



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How much have El Dorado schools lost?

From 2007-08 funding levels....

$19 million

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What about the Federal Stimulus Money?

- In reality, ARRA relief is a short-term solution to a long-term problem.
- Funding cliff created in 2011-12 by the loss of stimulus funding.
- Prudent and cautious planning will protect educational programs throughout recovery.

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Each district is unique in their ability to "weather" the storm

Districts with minimum reserves

- Have often been declining for the past several years
- Budget is "bare bones"
- Reserves have been used to stabilize the district while they cut the budget due to declining enrollment
- Reserves are now at bare minimum levels
- Limited places left to cut
- Often times no extra reserves to "buy" time to see if the "catastrophic" reductions are truly going to need to be done.

Districts with healthy reserves

- May have been growing for last several years
- Have not had to engage in budget reductions for past several years
- Have been able to build up reserves beyond required minimums (3% to 4% are the typical required reserves)
- Those reserves can be used to "buy" time, e.g. defer some of the potential "catastrophic" reductions to 2010-11.

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What if schools just stay the course…?

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How do California Schools Compare to other States?

Typical American School has…

30% MORE teachers
61% MORE school site administrators
92% MORE counselors

…than California

And this is before the current wave of reductions!

Min. National Center for Education Statistics, 2004-05

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California ranks 50th of 50 states in staff-to-student ratios

68 staff for every 1,000 California students

National Average
90 staff for every 1,000 students

California ranks *last among the states in the number of school staff per student.*

We would have to hire 100,000 more teachers tomorrow just to get to the national average.

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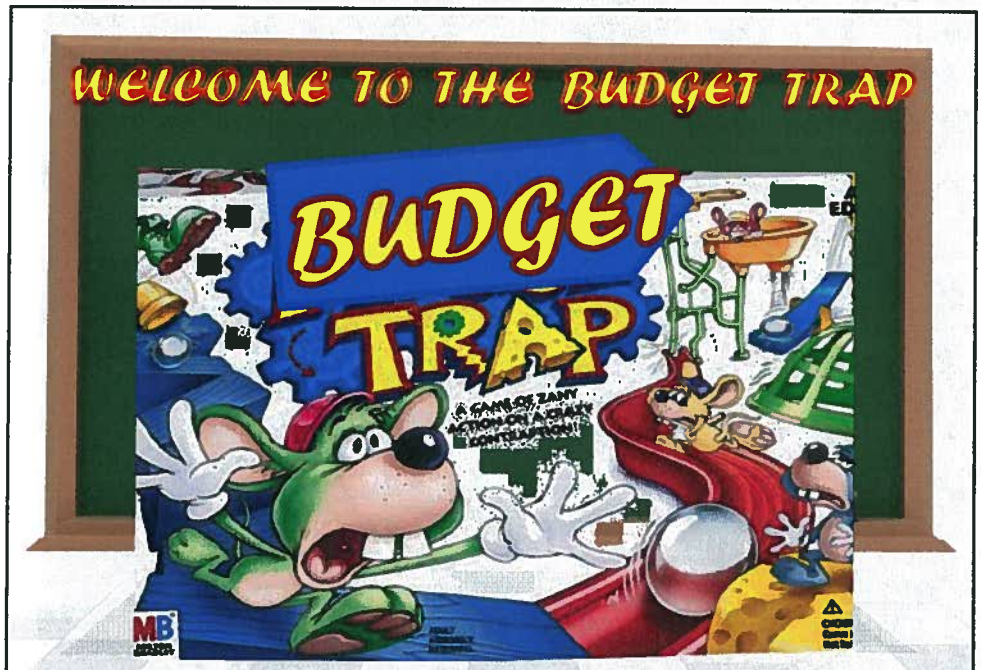
- **Where do we go from here?**
- In spite of funding reductions…
  - Our students deserve a quality public education
  - Failure is not an option



EL DORADO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TEST!

- Warm Up round

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- What is the "Triple Flip"?

A. A Cirque du Soleil act
B. A syndrome befalling school district CFOs
C. Something no one can explain
D. The vehicle license fee shift

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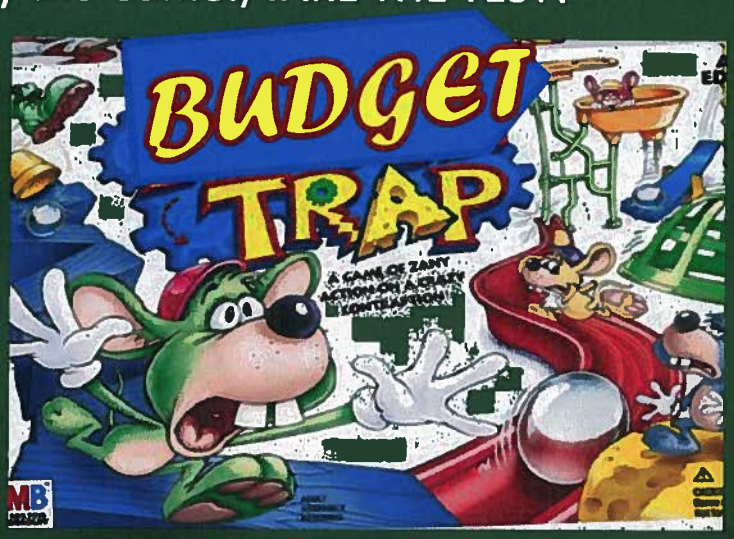
- Play the Game!/TAKE THE TEST!



1. When was the last fiscal year in which California did not have a structural deficit?

A. Never
B. 1996-97
C. 1998-99
D. 2000-01

2. Since that time, what is the average annual structural deficit?

A. $10 billion
B. $8 billion
C. $15 billion
D. Lots of billions

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3. When was the last year in which K-12 education was funded at the projected 2010-11 level?

A. 1910-11
B. 2007-08
C. 2005-06
D. 2004-05

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6. If a school district receives a principal apportionment in August, what month is it likely to be deferred from? (Notice we asked "if")

A. August
B. May
C. April
D. August, prior year