

CAPITAL OUTLAY REQUESTS 2024



1.	CTE CENTER	1,000,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning and designing phase of a 3,000 sq. ft. building to include training spaces & classrooms • Students will gain skills to acquire workforce certifications & apprenticeships leading to job opportunities • LCS Web ID #1421
2.	FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER	4,655,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning and designing phase to remodel and upgrade current LCPS owned facility • Center would provide wrap around services such as healthcare, mental health, parent engagement, workforce connections • Centralized student in-take services • Community providers will utilize the space to provide support for families • Project will be student designed and students will participate in construction process • LCS Web ID #1597
3.	MERCADO - RGPI (Phase 2)	500,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mercado will provide space for students to showcase and market their student created projects • Phase 1 funding was provided in 2023 Legislative Session • Phase 2 will consist of additional upgrades • LCS Web ID # 1431
4.	TLC OUTDOOR CLASSROOM	500,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan, design and renovate an outdoor learning space at the Teaching and Learning Center to provide additional learning opportunities for students who are attending the Challenger Center learning missions • LCS Web ID # 1432
5.	EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE & STAFF WELLNESS CENTER (Phase 2)	300,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Renovate and remodel a current facility to create an employee assistance and staff wellness center • Phase 1 funding was provided in 2023 Legislative Session • Phase 2 will consist of additional upgrades • LCS Web ID #1433

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1.	80/20 Insurance for All Employees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement and fully fund 80/20 insurance • Employees pay 20% regardless of salary & position
2.	ESSER Funding Cliff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide financial resources to address academic, physical, social, emotional, mental health needs of students • Increase SEG funding through an increase to at-risk multiplier • Amount should be comparable to 15% of the funding provided through each district's ESSER allocation
3.	Mental Health Needs of Public School Students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial support to hire mental health counselors, social workers, nurses, psychiatrists, psychologists • Increase SEG to hire 1 counselor per 250 students • Sufficient funding for school based community health clinics • Expand community school model • Training for all educators to address social and emotional needs of students
4.	Community Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainable funding stream to support existing Community Schools and funding to extend to high need schools • \$150k per school - 7 current schools and 5 more schools interested in the model • Recurring funding needed for 12 schools • Requested: \$1,800,000
5.	Offset for Salary Increases for Federally Funded Positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sustainable funding stream for employees funded through federal funding sources to support recently mandated salary increases • Requested: \$2,900,000
6.	Extension of the Classroom Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sufficient funding for extension of the classroom programs for Fine Arts, CTE, NMAA activities • Minimizing fees to families and fundraising • Increments to coaches & activity sponsors - cost to district \$700k • Activities, Fine Arts & Athletics (travel, registration, meals) - cost to district \$2.25 m • Creating equitable opportunities for all students • Requested: \$3,200,000

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7.	Early Literacy & Structured Literacy Required Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sufficient funding needed for professional development • \$607,710 current Early Literacy Award • LCPS pays additional \$750,000 through operational and other sources • Requested: \$1,400,000
8.	Instructional Materials Adoption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sufficient funding needed for instructional materials adoption • Current State funding is insufficient to provide high quality materials to all students • Requested: \$3,000,000
9.	Energy Efficient Capital Outlay Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce recurring utility expenses for school districts through energy efficient capital outlay • Support of renewable energy component to be funded by the Public School Capital Outlay Council • Public School Finance Authority explore cost benefit analysis for energy efficient systems so districts are informed on financial impact
10.	Fund Electric Vehicles (EV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide financial incentives and resources so districts have the option to purchase EV and hybrids for light duty carpool, maintenance vehicles and bus fleets • Increased funding so districts can train personnel in maintaining EVs • Funding for districts to install EV related infrastructure such as charging stations
11.	Fully Fund School District's Net Pension Liability for the New Mexico Educational Retirement Board (ERB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 tier system rewards long term service but is not solvent • Fund ERB to make up the net pension liability which school districts now face