
Ventura Charter School of Arts & Global Education

Common Core State Standards Spending Plan For the 2013-14 and 2014-15 Fiscal Years

Background

The enacted State Budget for 2013-14 provides one-time funds to local educational agencies to support the activities required to implement the federal Common Core State Standards that California has adopted. These new standards are required to be in place for the 2014-15 academic year. There are a number of activities that we have already undertaken, and continue to undertake, to prepare for this implementation. This new funding is provided specifically to support these activities:

- Professional Development for certificated and classified employees involved in the direct instruction of pupils using the Common Core State Standards
- Instructional materials and supplemental instructional materials aligned to the Common Core State Standards
- Technology equipment and infrastructure to provide technology-based instruction using Common Core State Standards and to implement computer-based student assessments

The funds must be spent by July 1, 2015. As a condition of receiving the funds, a spending plan for the funds must be presented at a public meeting of the governing board and then approved at a subsequent public meeting of the governing board. What follows is the proposed spending plan for the Common Core State Standards funding that we will be receiving.

Funding

The estimated amount of one-time funds to be received for this purpose is \$77,600.

Uses

We plan to use the funds during 2013-14 and 2014-15 in the following manner:

- Provide inservices for certificated and classified classroom staff on the new content standards and to develop curriculum aligned to the new standards
- Adopt and purchase current standards-aligned instructional materials for English language arts and mathematics
- Upgrade the technology infrastructure to provide Internet access and meet Smarter Balanced Technology Strategy Framework and System Requirements Specifications
- Purchase additional computers and software for technology-based instruction
- Etc.