



## **FY 2025-26 Education Protection Account Spending Plan**

Proposition 30, a significant legislative move, has led to the establishment of the Education Protection Account (EPA). This account, fueled by temporary increases in personal income tax rates for upper-income taxpayers and the sales tax rate for all taxpayers, plays a crucial role in our financial landscape. The revenue generated from these increased taxes is channeled into the EPA and subsequently distributed to districts and charter schools.

While EPA funds are part of a district's or charter school's general-purpose funding, Proposition 30 specifies that EPA funds may not be used for administrators' salaries or benefits or any other administrative costs.

For FY 2025-26, Bright Star Schools has budgeted to receive the following EPA funds (amounts subject to change based on actual funding allocations):

- Stella Middle Charter Academy \$389,901
- Bright Star Secondary Charter Academy \$495,713
- Rise Kohyang Middle School \$217,463
- Rise Kohyang High School \$130,492
- Valor Academy Middle School \$434,316
- Valor Academy Elementary School \$111,397
- Valor Academy Charter High School \$96,794
- Stella Elementary Charter Academy \$92,615
- Rise Kohyang Elementary School \$58,093

These funds will be allocated to support teacher salaries in FY 2025-26.