

# Budget Update

September 14,

# How does California nationally rank?

- 41<sup>st</sup> for 2015-2016 using the comparable wage index.
- States average: \$10,291
- National average: \$12,252
- Mill Valley's per Student 2015-16 Average: **\$12,607**
  - ▣ The state's **\$10,291** per student was \$1,961 less than the \$12,252 per student national average, but was about \$2,000 higher than it had been in 2012-13, before the passage of Prop. 30, when California ranked 50th.

Source: California Budget and Policy Center: January 2017 brief

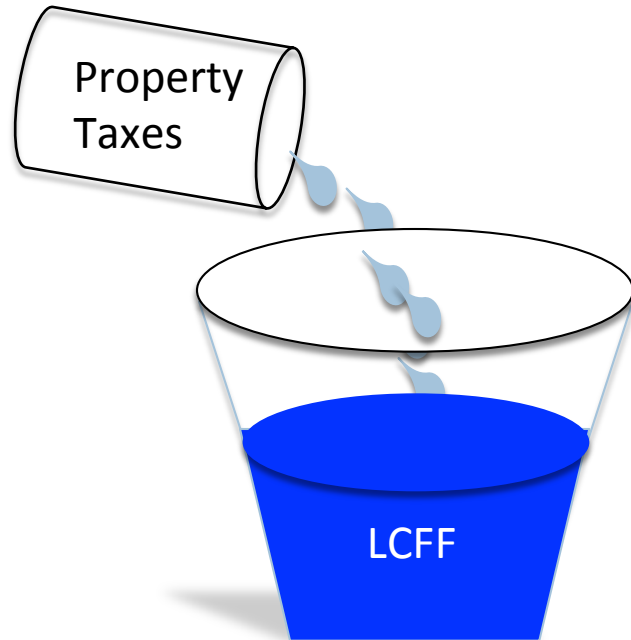
["California's Support for K-12 Education Is Improving, but Still Lags the Nation,"](#) and EdSource February 2017, *How Does California Rank in per Pupil Spending? It All Depends*

# Basic Aid Basics

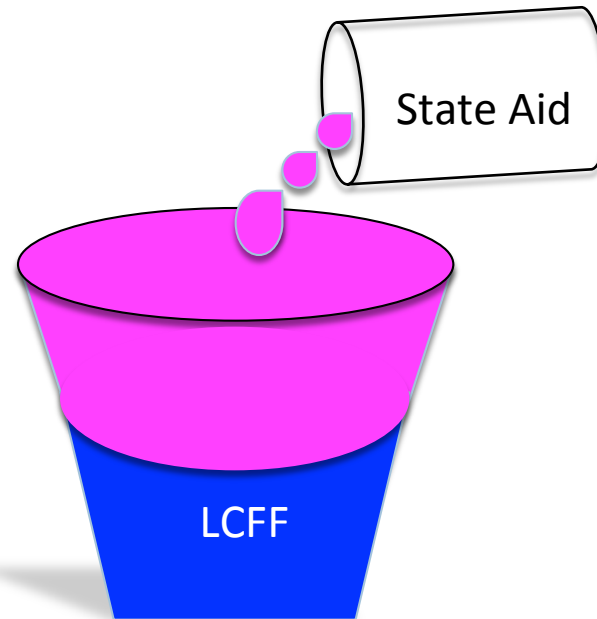
- **School districts in California are funded either as “LCFF” (Local Control Funding Formula) or “Community Funded” formerly known as “Basic Aid.”** LCFF is calculated based on the State funding provided to districts based on per student average daily attendance in a fiscal year. If a district’s property tax revenue per student is less than the LCFF amount, the State makes up the difference between the district’s local property tax revenues and the LCFF amount. If a district’s property tax revenue per student exceeds the LCFF amount, the district is allowed to keep all the property tax revenue.
- **Can School Districts Choose the funding between LCFF and Community Funded?** No, districts cannot select their funding source. The funding is determined by a district’s calculated revenue each fiscal year.

# LCFF Funding

**Money from Local Taxes**

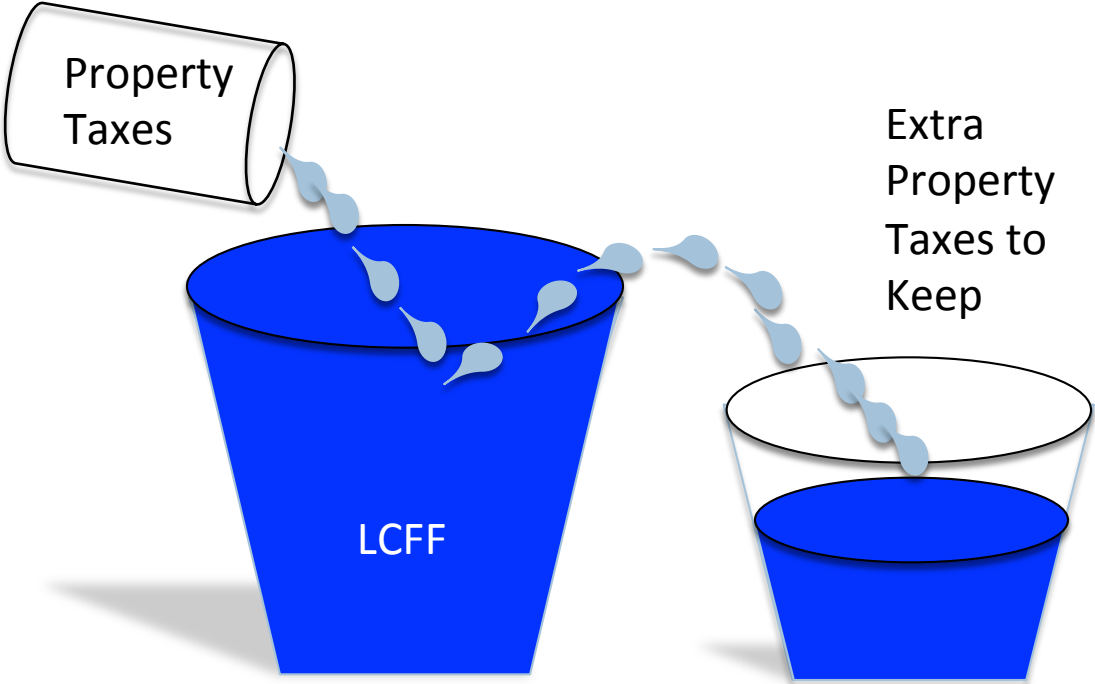


**Money from the State**

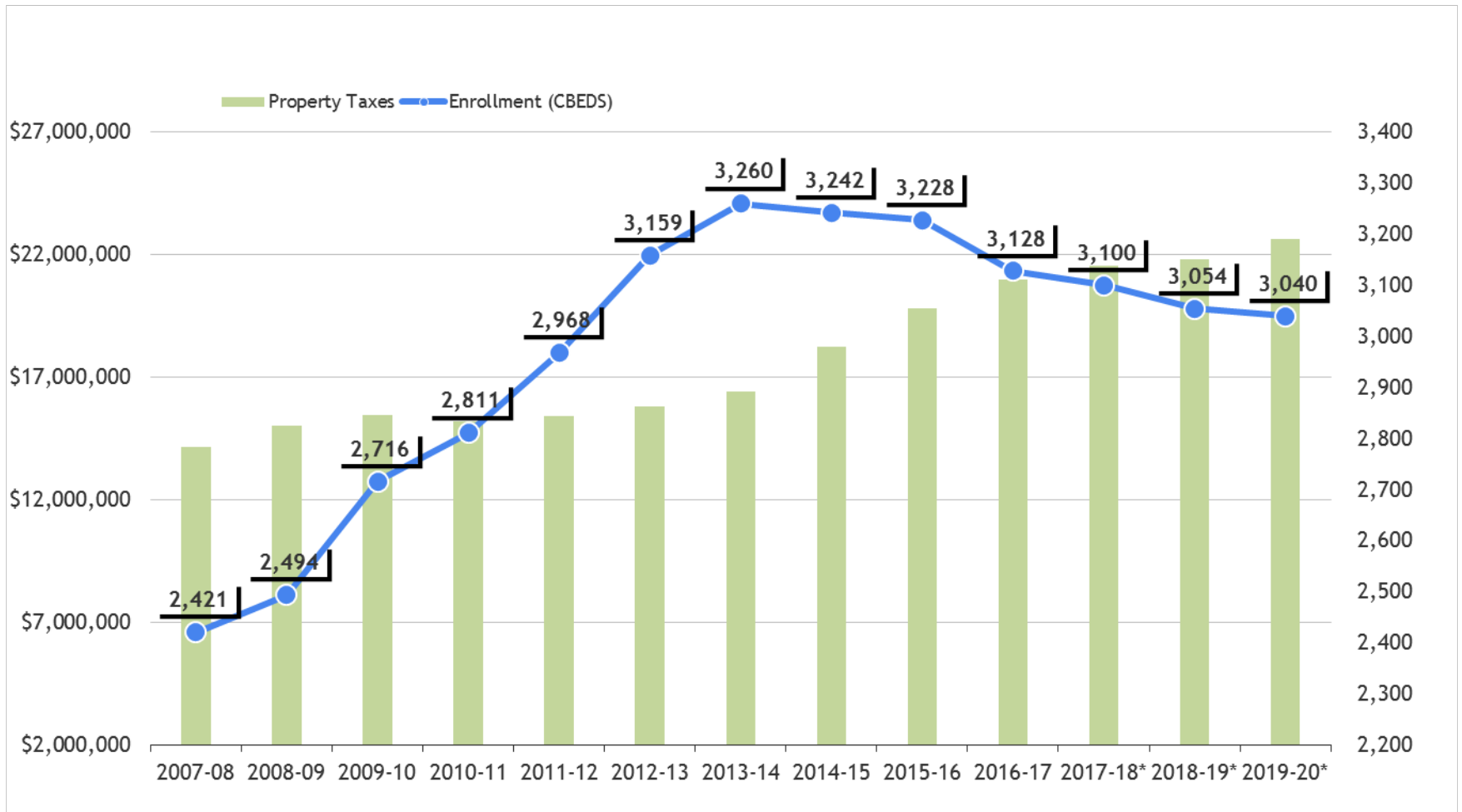


# MVSD is a Basic Aid District

## Money from Local Taxes



# Property Taxes & Enrollment Trend



(Not to scale)

# Basic Aid Basics

## □ **What is a Community Funded district?**

A Community Funded district is one whose local property taxes exceed its LCFF revenue. A Community Funded district keeps the money from local property taxes and still receives the constitutionally guaranteed state “basic aid” funding. A district can be a LCFF limit district one year and Community Funded the next year.

## □ **When districts can become Community Funded?**

Throughout the year, some districts fall in and out of Community Funded status. The final property taxes for the district are not received until the August after the fiscal year closes. However, with projections on assessed valuation coupled with student attendance at the time of the second principal (P-2) apportionment districts can project their funding status.