Office of the State Controller State-Mandated Costs Claiming Instructions No. 2016-05 California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) – Program No. 369 July 1, 2016 Revised October 1, 2023

In accordance with Government Code (GC) sections 17560 and 17561, eligible claimants may submit claims to the State Controller's Office (SCO) for reimbursement of costs incurred for state-mandated cost programs. This document contains claiming instructions and forms that eligible claimants must use for filing claims for the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) program. SCO issues these claiming instructions subsequent to the Commission on State Mandates (CSM) adopting the program's Parameters and Guidelines (Ps & Gs). The <u>Ps & Gs</u> are an integral part of the claiming instructions and are located on the CSM's website.

On January 22, 2016, CSM adopted a Statement of Decision finding that the test claim legislation imposed a reimbursable state-mandated program upon school districts within the meaning of Article XIII B, section 6 of the California Constitution and GC section 17514.

Exception

There will be no reimbursement for any period in which the Legislature has suspended the operation of a mandate pursuant to state law.

Eligible Claimants

Any school district, as defined in GC section 17519, with the exception of community college districts, is eligible to claim reimbursement for increased cost incurred as a result of this mandate. Charter schools and block grant recipients are not eligible to claim reimbursement.

Reimbursement Claim Deadline

Pursuant to GC section 17560(a), annual reimbursement claims may be filed by **February 15** following the fiscal year in which costs were incurred. If the deadline falls on a weekend or holiday, claims are due the following business day. Claims filed after the deadline must be reduced by a late penalty. **Claims filed more than one year after the deadline will not be accepted.**

Penalty

• Initial Reimbursement Claims

When filed within one year of the initial filing deadline, claims are assessed a late penalty of 10% of the total amount of the initial claim without limitation pursuant to GC section 17561(d)(3).

Annual Reimbursement Claims

When filed within one year of the annual filing deadline, claims are assessed a late penalty of 10% of the claim amount, not to exceed \$10,000, pursuant to GC section 17568.

Minimum Claim Cost

GC section 17564(a) states that no claim may be filed pursuant to sections 17551 and 17561, unless such a claim exceeds one thousand dollars **(\$1,000)**. However, a county superintendent of schools may submit a combined claim on behalf of school districts within their county if the combined claim exceeds **\$1,000**, even if the individual school district's claim does not each exceed \$1,000. If the total costs for a given fiscal year do not exceed \$1,000, no reimbursement will be allowed except as otherwise allowed by GC section 17564. The county superintendent of schools will determine if the submission of the combined claim is economically feasible and be responsible for disbursing the funds to each school district. These combined claims may be filed only when the county superintendent of schools is the fiscal agent for the districts. A combined claim must show the individual claim costs for each eligible school district. All subsequent claims based upon the same mandate must be filed in the combined form unless a school district provides a written notice of its intent to file a separate claim to the county superintendent of sCO at least 180 days prior to the deadline for filing the claim.

Reimbursement of Claims

To be eligible for mandated cost reimbursement for any fiscal year, only actual costs may be claimed. These costs must be traceable and supported by source documents that show the validity of such costs, when they were incurred, and their relationship to the reimbursable activities. A source document is created at or near the same time the actual cost was incurred for the event or activity in question. Source documents may include, but are not limited to, employee time records or time logs, sign-in sheets, invoices, and receipts.

Evidence corroborating the source documents may include, but is not limited to, worksheets, cost allocation reports (system generated), purchase orders, contracts, agendas, training packets, and declarations. Declarations must include a certification or declaration stating: "I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct," and must further comply with the requirements of Code of Civil Procedure section 2015.5.

Evidence corroborating the source documents may include data relevant to the reimbursable activities otherwise in compliance with local, state, and federal government requirements. However, these documents cannot be substituted for source documents.

Audit of Costs

All claims submitted to SCO are subject to review to determine if costs are related to the mandate, are reasonable and not excessive, and if the claim was prepared in

accordance with the SCO's claiming instructions and the Ps & Gs adopted by CSM. If any adjustments are made to a claim, the claimant will be notified of the amount adjusted, and the reason for the adjustment.

On-site audits will be conducted by SCO as deemed necessary. Pursuant to GC section 17558.5(a), a reimbursement claim for actual costs filed by a claimant is subject to audit by SCO no later than three years after the date the actual reimbursement claim was filed or last amended, whichever is later. However, if no funds were appropriated or no payment was made to a claimant for the program for the fiscal year for which the claim was filed, the time for SCO to initiate an audit will commence to run from the date of initial payment of the claim.

All documents used to support the reimbursable activities must be retained during the period subject to audit. If an audit has been initiated by SCO during the period subject to audit, the retention period is extended until the ultimate resolution of any audit findings. Supporting documents must be made available to SCO on request.

Record Retention

All documentation to support actual costs claimed must be retained and made available to the SCO upon request. The documents must be retained for a minimum of three years after the date of initial payment of the claim and/or until the ultimate resolution of any audit finding.

Claim Submission

Submit a signed original Form FAM-27 and one copy with required documents. **Please** sign the Form FAM-27 in blue ink or electronic signature. Attach the copy to the top of the claim package if submitting by mail.

Mandated costs claiming instructions and forms are available on SCO's website.

Electronic submissions are accepted and is available through an online file transfer protocol called the **Data Exchange Portal** (DEP). All information regarding <u>DEP</u> is available on the SCO's website.

Use the following mailing addresses:

If delivered by U.S. Postal Service:

Office of the State Controller Attn: Local Reimbursements Section Local Government Programs and Services Division P.O. Box 942850 Sacramento, CA 94250 If delivered by other delivery service:

Office of the State Controller Attn: Local Reimbursements Section Local Government Programs and Services Division 3301 C Street, Suite 700 Sacramento, CA 95816

For more information, contact the Local Reimbursements Section by email.

	CALIFORNIA ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE AND PROGRESS (CAASPP) CLAIM FOR PAYMENT FORM	(19) (20)	tate Controller's Office Use Only Program Number 00369 Date Filed LRS Input	program 369
(01) CI	aimant Identification Number		Reimbursement Claim	Data
(02) CI	aimant Name	(22)	FORM 1, (04) A. 1. (f)	
County	v of Location	(23)	FORM 1, (04) A. 2. (f)	
Street	Address or P.O. Box and Suite	(24)	FORM 1, (04) B. (f)	
City, S	tate, and Zip Code	(25)	FORM 1, (04) C. (f)	
(03)	Type of Claim	(26)	FORM 1, (04) D. (f)	
(04)	(09) Reimbursement	(27)	FORM 1, (04) E. (f)	
(05)	(10) Combined	(28)	FORM 1, (04) F. (f)	
(06)	(11) Amended	(29)	FORM 1, (04) G. 1. (f)	
(07)	(12) Fiscal Year of Cost	(30)	FORM 1, (04) G. 2. (f)	
(08)	(13) Total Claimed Amount	(31)	FORM 1, (04) H. (f)	
(14) Le	ess: 10% Late Penalty	(32)	FORM 1, (06)	
(15) Le	ess: Prior Claim Payment Received	(33)	FORM 1, (07)	
(16) Ne	et Claimed Amount	(34)	FORM 1, (09)	
(17) Du	ue From State	(35)	FORM 1, (10)	
(18) Di	ue to State	(36)		

(37) CERTIFICATION OF CLAIM

In accordance with the provisions of Government Code sections 17560 and 17561, I certify that I am the officer authorized by the school district or county office of education to file mandated cost claims with the State of California for this program, and certify under penalty of perjury that I have not violated any of the provisions of Article 4, Chapter 1 of Division 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code.

I further certify that there was no application other than from the claimant, nor any grant(s) or payment(s) received, for reimbursement of costs claimed herein; claimed costs are for a new program or increased level of services of an existing program; and claimed amounts do not include charter school costs, either directly or through a third party. All offsetting revenues and reimbursements set forth in the parameters and guidelines are identified, and all costs claimed are supported by source documentation currently maintained by the claimant.

The amount for this reimbursement is hereby claimed from the State for payment of actual costs set forth on the attached statements.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date Signed	
Telephone Number	
Email Address	
	Telephone Number

(38) Name of Agency Contact Person for Claim	Telephone Number	
	Email Address	
Name of Consulting Firm/Claim Preparer	Telephone Number	
	Email Address	

program 369	CALIFORNIA ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE AND PROGRESS (CAASPP) CLAIM FOR PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS	FORM FAM-27						
(01)	Enter the claimant identification number assigned by the State Controller's	Office.						
(02)	Enter claimant official name, county of location, street or postal office box city, state, and zip code.	address,						
(03) to (08)	Leave blank.							
(09)	If filing a reimbursement claim, enter an "X" in the box on line (09) Reimbu	rsement.						
(10)	If filing a combined reimbursement claim on behalf of districts within the co an "X" in the box on line (10) Combined.	ounty, enter						
(11)	If filing an amended reimbursement claim, enter an "X" in the box on line (Amended.	11)						
(12)	Enter the fiscal year in which actual costs are being claimed. If actual costs for more than one fiscal year are being claimed, complete a separate Form FAM-27 for each fiscal year.							
(13)	Enter the amount of the reimbursement claim as shown on Form 1, line (11). The total claimed amount must exceed \$1,000; minimum claim must be \$1,001.							
(14)	Initial reimbursement claims must be filed as specified in the claiming instructions. Annual reimbursement claims must be filed by February 15 , or as specified in the claiming instructions following the fiscal year in which costs were incurred. Claims filed after the specified date must be reduced by a late penalty. Enter zero if the claim was filed on time. Otherwise, enter the result from the following penalty calculation formula:							
	 Late Initial Reimbursement Claims: Form FAM-27, line (13) multiplie without limitation; or 	ed by 10%,						
	 Late Annual Reimbursement Claims: Form FAM-27, line (13) multip 10%, late penalty not to exceed \$10,000. 	blied by						
(15)	Enter the amount of payment, if any, received for the claim. If no payment received, enter zero.	was						
(16)	Enter the net claimed amount by subtracting the sum of lines (14) and (15 (13).) from line						
(17)	If line (16), Net Claimed Amount, is positive, enter that amount on line (17) State.), Due from						
(18)	If line (16), Net Claimed Amount, is negative, enter that amount on line (18 State.	3), Due to						
(19) to (21)	Leave blank.							

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CALIFORNIA ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE AND PROGRESS (CAASPP) CLAIM FOR PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS (CONTINUED)

FORM FAM-27

- (22) to (35) Bring forward the cost information as specified in the left-hand column of lines (22) through (35) for the reimbursement claim, e.g., Form 1, (04) A. 1. (f) means the information is located on Form 1, block (04), line A. 1., column (f). Enter the information on the same line but in the right-hand column. Cost information should be rounded to the nearest dollar, i.e., no cents. The indirect costs percentage should be shown as a whole number and without the percent symbol, i.e., 35.19% should be shown as 35. Completion of this data block will expedite the process.
 - (36) Leave blank.
 - (37) Read the statement of Certification of Claim. The claim must be signed and dated by the agency's authorized officer, and include their typed or printed name, title, telephone number, and email address. Claims cannot be paid unless accompanied by an original signed certification. Please sign the Form FAM-27 in blue ink or electronic signature. Attach the copy to the top of the claim package.
 - (38) Enter the name, telephone number, and email address of the agency contact person for the claim. If the claim was prepared by a consultant, type or print the name of the consulting firm, claim preparer, telephone number, and email address.

SUBMIT A SIGNED ORIGINAL FORM FAM-27 AND ONE COPY WITH ALL OTHER FORMS TO:

Address, if delivered by U.S. Postal Service:

Office of the State Controller Attn: Local Reimbursements Section Local Government Programs and Services Division P.O. Box 942850 Sacramento, CA 94250

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(01) Claimant		(02)				Fiscal 20 _			
(03) Leave blai	nk.								
Direct Costs				Object Ac	counts				
(04) Reimbursa	able Activities	(a) Salaries and Benefits	(b) Materials and Supplies	(c) Contract Services	(d) Fixed Assets	(e) Training	(f) Total		
technology µ administer tl computer, w compliance	computing device, the use of an assessment platform, and the adaptive engine" to he CAASPP assessments to all pupils via which includes the acquisition of and ongoing with minimum technology specifications, as or CAASPP contractor(s) or consortium. This ides:								
iPads, or Balanced academic	nt number of desktop or laptop computers, other tablet computers for which Smarter provides secure browser support in the year, along with a keyboard, headphones, and device for each, to administer the CAASPP.								
per pupil t acquisition equipmen	d internet service providing at least 20 Kbps to be tested simultaneously, costs for n and installation of wireless or wired network it, and hiring consultants or engineers to assist n completing and troubleshooting the n.								
shall be resp ensure curre technology s	ducational Agency (LEA) CAASPP coordinator ponsible for assessment technology, and shall ent and ongoing compliance with minimum specifications as identified by the CAASPP) or consortium.								
participation notification t a parent's of her child from	ts or guardians each year of their pupil's in the CAASPP assessment system, including that notwithstanding any other provision of law, r guardian's written request to excuse his or m any or all parts of the CAASPP is shall be granted.								
manuals or	ransmit the CAASPP tests in accordance with other instructions provided by the contractor or in Department of Education (CDE).								
version of th contractor th	ils unable to access the computer-based ne CAASPP tests; and report to the CAASPP ne number of pupils unable to access the ased version of the test.								
diagnostic a that is aligne	e CDE if a pupil in grade 2 was administered a ssessment in language arts and mathematics ed to the common core academic content ursuant to Education Code section 60644.								

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(01) Claimant		(02)				Fiscal 20				
(03) Leave bla	nk.									
Direct Costs				Object Ac	counts					
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)			
(04) Reimburs	able Activities (continued)	Salaries and Benefits	Materials and Supplies	Contract Services	Fixed Assets	Training	Total			
	n in the training directed by the CAASPP or consortium is reimbursable as follows:									
	Summary Instructions, Item (04), for nformation.)									
	the applicable supplemental videos and d Webcasts.									
Adminis Usability Guidelin Guide, a	e CAASPP Smarter Balanced Online Test stration Manual, the Smarter Balanced y, Accessibility, and Accommodations nes, and the Test Administrator Reference and view the associated Smarter Balanced modules.									
for ensuring accommoda	PP test site coordinator shall be responsible g that all designated supports, ations and individualized aids are entered into tion system.									
(05) Total Dire	ect Costs									
Indirect Costs										
(06) Indirect C	Cost Rate	[Refer to Cla	aim Summar	y Instruction	ns]		%			
(07) Total Indi	irect Costs [Line (05)(f) mi	nus line (05)(d	d) minus \$] tim	es line (06)					
(08) Total Dire	ect and Indirect Costs	[Line	e (05)(f) plus	line (07)]						
Cost Reductio	n									
(09) Less: Of	ffsetting Revenues (see Attachment A)									
(10) Less: Ot	ther Reimbursements									
(11) Total Cla	imed Amount	[Line (08) mi	nus {line (09) plus line (′	10)}]					

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(01)	Enter the I	name of the claimant.					
(02)	Enter the	fiscal year of costs.					
(03)	Leave bla	nk.					
(04)		reimbursable activity, enter the total from Form 2, line (05), columns (d) through (h) to Form 1, blo a) through (e) in the appropriate row. Total each row.	ock (04),				
	inventory of sufficient t	activities A. 1. and A. 2., claimants shall maintain supporting documentation showing how their e of computing devices and accessories, technology infrastructure, and broadband internet service to administer the CAASPP test to all eligible pupils in the testing window, based on the minimum ions identified by the contractor(s) or consortium.	e is not				
	and all ins training or	y G, claimants are required to comply with any and all requests from CAASPP contractors, and a structions provided by the CAASPP contractor or consortium, whether written or oral, that are pro r provided for in the administration of a CAASPP test. Only participation in the training directed by r or consortium is reimbursable for the following:	vided for				
		EA CAASPP Coordinators, CAASPP Test Site Coordinators (SCs), Test Administrators (TAs), an ative staff who will be involved in the Smarter Balanced assessment administration.	nd school				
	G.2. Prior assessme	to administering a test, TAs (and any other individuals administering any secure Smarter Balanc ent).	ed				
		ement is <u>NOT</u> required to provide a computing device for every pupil, for the time to assess each ase of other equipment not listed.	n pupil, or for				
(05)	Total colu	mns (a) through (f).					
(06)	Enter the a	approved indirect cost rate from the California Department of Education for the year that funds a	re expended.				
(07)	indirect co	Total Direct Costs, line (05)(f), deduct Total Fixed Assets, line (05)(d) and any other item exclude ost distribution base in accordance with the California School Accounting Manual, Procedure 915 are are no exclusions. Multiply the result by the Indirect Cost Rate, line (06).					
(08)	Enter the	sum of Total Direct Costs, line (05)(f), and Total Indirect Costs, line (07).					
(09)	The state	ole, enter any offsetting revenues received by the claimant for this mandate from any state or federal funds listed on Attachment A <u>must</u> be identified as offsetting revenues. Complete At all offsetting revenues.					
(10)	fees colled	ble, enter the amount of other reimbursements received from any source including, but not limited cted, federal funds, and other state funds that reimbursed any portion of the mandated cost progradet detailing the reimbursement sources and amounts.					
(11)	Reimburse	Total Direct and Indirect Costs, line (08), subtract the sum of Offsetting Revenues, line (09), and ements, line (10). Enter the remainder on this line and carry the amount forward to Form FAM-27 pursement Claim.					

program 369	STUDENT PERFORMANC	ASSESSMENT OF CE AND PROGRESS (CAASPP) OF OFFSETTING REVENUES	
(01) Claimant		(02)	Fiscal Year 20 /20
OFFSETTING	REVENUES		Amount
	apportioned by the State Board of Educati 0-113-0001, Schedule (4), for fiscal year 2		
2. Any state	e and/or federal funds received and applie	d to the reimbursable CAASPP activities.	
TOTAL OFFS	ETTING REVENUES		

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(01) Claimant				(02)			2	Fiscal Year 0 / 20
(03) Reimburs	able Activities: Check o	only one bo	ox per form	to identify the	e activity be	ing claimed		
A. Provide "a computing device, the use of an assessment technology platform, and the adaptive engine" to administer the CAASPP assessments to all pupils via computer, which includes the acquisition of and ongoing compliance with minimum technology specifications, as identified by CAASPP contractor(s) or consortium. This activity includes:			 D. Score and transmit the CAASPP tests in accordance with manuals or other instructions provided by the contractor or the California Department of Education (CDE). E. Identify pupils unable to access the computer-based versior of the CAASPP tests; and report to the CAASPP contractor the number of pupils unable to access the computer-based 					
iPads, Balanc acader	cient number of desktop or la or other tablet computers for ed provides secure browser nic year, along with a keyboa ing device for each, to admir	which Smart support in the ard, headpho	ter e nes, and	F. Repo diagn that is	on of the test. In to the CDE in tostic assessmin a aligned to the lards pursuant	ent in language common cor	ge arts and r e academic	nathematics content
pupil to installa consul	band internet service providin b be tested simultaneously, c tion of wireless or wired netw tants or engineers to assist a shooting the installation.	osts for acqu vork equipme	isition and ent, and hiring	consortiu	m is reimbursa	able as follows	:	PP contractor or
shall be r ensure cu technolog	I Educational Agency (LEA) esponsible for assessment te urrent and ongoing compliand gy specifications as identified r(s) or consortium.	echnology, ar ce with minim	nd shall num	A A T	ead the CAAS dministration M ccessibility, ar est Administra ssociated Sma	Manual, the Sr nd Accommoda tor Reference	narter Balan ations Guide Guide, and	nced Usability, elines, and the view the
participat notificatio a parent's	rents or guardians each year ion in the CAASPP assessm on that notwithstanding any o s or guardian's written reques n any or all parts of the CAAS granted.	ent system, i ther provisior st to excuse h	ncluding n of law, his or her	for er	CAASPP test s nsuring that all mmodations an he registration	designated sund individualized	ipports,	•
(04) Description	on of Expenses				Obj	ect Accour	nts	
Classification	(a) yee Names, Job s, Functions Performed, ription of Expenses	(b) Hourly Rate or Unit Cost	(c) Hours Worked	(d) Salaries and Benefits	(e) Materials and Supplies	(f) Contract Services	(g) Fixed Assets	(h) Training

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program 369								form 2	
(01) Claimant				(02)			2	Fiscal Year 0 / 20	
(04) Description of Expenses (Continued)					Obje	ect Accour		,	
Emplo Classificatior	(a) byee Names, Job ns, Functions Performed cription of Expenses	(b) Hourly Rate or Unit Cost	(c) Hours Worked	(d) Salaries and Benefits	SalariesMaterialsContractFixandandServicesAst			(h) Training	
(05) Total	Subtotal Pa	ge:of_	<u> </u>						

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- (01) Enter the name of the claimant.
- (02) Enter the fiscal year of costs.
- (03) Check the box which indicates the activity being claimed. Check only one box per form. A separate Form 2 must be prepared for each applicable activity.
- (04) The following table identifies the type of information required to support reimbursable costs. To itemize costs for the activity checked in block (03), enter each employee name, job classification, a brief description of the activities performed, productive hourly rate, actual time spent, fringe benefits, materials and supplies used, contract services, fixed assets, and training expenses. The descriptions required in column (04)(a) must be of sufficient detail to explain the cost of activities or items being claimed.

Object Accounts	Columns								Submit Supporting Documents
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	with the Claim
Salaries and Benefits	Employee Name and Job Classification	Hourly Rate	Hours Worked	Salaries equal Hourly Rate times Hours Worked					
	Activities Performed	Benefit Rate		Benefits equal Benefit Rate times Salaries					
Materials and Supplies	Description of Supplies Used	Unit Cost	Quantity Used		Costs equal Unit Cost times Quantity Used				
Contract Services	Name of Contractor and Specific Tasks Performed	Hourly Rate	Hours Worked and Inclusive Dates of Service			Costs equal Hourly Rate times Hours Worked or Total			Copy of Contract and Invoices
Fixed Assets	Description of Equipment Purchased	Unit Cost times Quantity	Usage				Costs equal Total Cost times Usage		Copy of Contract and/or Invoices
Training	Employee Name and Classification and Name of Class		Dates Attended					Registration Fees	

(05) Total line (04), columns (d) through (h) and enter the sum on this line. Check the appropriate box to indicate if the amount is a total or subtotal. If more than one form is needed to detail activity costs, number each page. Enter totals from line (05), columns (d) through (h) on Form 1, block (04), columns (a) through (e) in the appropriate row.