



## ITEM FOR INFORMATION

### **Date of Meeting**

November 17, 2021

### **Title**

Receive Student Investment Account Annual Report

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### **Description**

The 2019 Oregon Legislature approved the Student Success Act (SSA) to invest more funds in public schools. About half of the SSA funds were to go directly to Oregon school districts and eligible charter schools through the Student Investment Account (SIA) to increase academic achievement for all students, reduce academic disparities for historically underserved groups of students, and meet students' behavioral or mental health needs.

The district developed its plan for how to invest this additional education funding to best support student success with extensive community engagement including input from staff, students and families from historically underserved communities.

Eugene School District 4J was expected to receive \$13.4 million in SIA funding per year—approximately \$12.9 million for the district, and \$440,000 for charter schools. Due to the economic impacts of the coronavirus pandemic, however, the legislature reduced the amount of SIA funding available in the first year. The reduced funding provided \$4,347,000 for the district and charter schools for the 2020–21 school year, about one-third of the amount originally planned for.

The district's Student Investment Account Plan, approved by the school board in March 2020, included initiatives to improve early reading skills, increase access and inclusion, extend afterschool and summer school learning opportunities, support emergent bilingual students, reduce class sizes in targeted grades, and add more mental health, behavioral and wraparound supports for students. This plan was scaled back to meet the reduced funding level in 2020–21.

Districts are required to submit periodic grant reports to the state and to present on their annual report to their school board in a public meeting that provides an opportunity for public comment.

Staff will provide information about the district's SIA plan and annual report.