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## FACCC RESPONDS TO GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED 2022-23 BUDGET

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The Faculty Association of California Community Colleges (FACCC) has issued the following statement on Governor Newsom's 2022-23 May revise:

"FACCC is grateful for the Governor's proposed allocation to California's Community Colleges. This investment reflects one of the biggest ever perstudent funding increases for our system. We also appreciate the commitment to part-time faculty healthcare funding and the recognition that our faculty must be supported so they can support their students. Our open-access institutions accept the top one-hundred percent of students. Our colleges and faculty will use these additional resources to better serve students.

We appreciate the proposed 6.56 percent cost-of-living-adjustment (COLA) and the significant increase to the Student Centered Funding Formula's base allocation; however, the formula continues to be plagued by shortcomings that are unresolved. Furthermore, an increased COLA amount will be necessary to fully meet the higher costs associated with inflation.

We would like to encourage the Governor and Legislature to support student services as outlined in the Senate's Putting Wealth to Work plan, including funding to expand the Mathematics, Engineering, Science, and Achievement Program (MESA) program to all colleges, additional funding to Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) for recruiting and enrollment, a new allocation for Native American student support services, and increased funding for Cooperative Agencies and Resources for Education (CARE)."

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