

Opinion: Calif. schools want more money

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Gov. Jerry Brown's new budget would boost spending on K-12 schools by several billion dollars, but the California School Boards Association says that's a small fraction of what's needed to adequately prepare the state's six million students for jobs and higher education.



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The CSBA released a report Wednesday asserting, "California is underfunding K-12 schools by as much as \$42 billion per year."

That would be an extra \$7,000 per student on top of the \$10,591 that Brown's 2016-17 budget projects will be spent on each from state and local funds and push California's per-pupil spending to one of the nation's highest levels.

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