



Criteria for Rating 2021 –2022 Budget Packages¹

Your Group _____ Budget Package Topic _____ Date _____

RATING CRITERIA	RATE THE CHANGE (1-5) 1(strong negative), 2(moderate negative), 3(neutral) 4(moderate positive), 5(strong positive)					QUESTIONS/NOTES/COMMENTS
	1	2	3	4	5	
1. Rationale						
2. Impact to students						

¹ Adapted from school budgeting for hard times, William K. Poston, Jr., Corwin, Thousand Oaks, CA, 2011



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3. Efficiency and effectiveness of operations						
4. Expected losses						
5. Expected gains						



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6. Consistency with district values						
7. Cost savings						
8. Overall						

Comments and Thoughts for Recommendations to the Superintendent:

Instructions

Individually:

1. Come to the SBAC meeting prepared to discuss and reach consensus within your small group.
2. Review documents provided in advance of the SBAC meeting.
3. When done, rate the budget package for 2021-2022 provided using the chart above.
Comment as necessary.
4. Refer to documents from prior SBAC meeting for background on criteria and consensus decision-making.

Small Group:

1. Work together to reach consensus on a set of recommendations from your group regarding the budget package presented.
2. Small group logistics:
 - A. A SMMUSD staff member(s) will facilitate your group's conversation.
 - B. Select a timekeeper and note taker to capture our groups' decisions.
 - i. Ideally, that person will use their computer and be able to enter the group's rating and comments/notes directly into Survey Monkey-
 - ii. Assure all group members participate in the discussion.
3. As a group, discuss and answer the following questions:
 - A. Does your group have consensus on the direction proposed for this budget package? (yes or no)
 - B. If yes, continue and complete the chart in Survey Monkey
 - C. If no, complete the chart for your group in Survey Monkey and note the following:
 - i. What other budget reductions (cuts) for this package area would you have us consider and why?
 - ii. What unresolved concerns does your group have?
 - iii. What specifically must be addressed to achieve consensus in your group?
 - D. Based on your discussion today what recommendation(s) does your group have for the Superintendent to move forward on this budget package?