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District Board Talking Points December 2018

Governor Brown recently released her budget for the coming biennium. The Governor's budget is the annual "Kick-Off" to the legislative session. Education received a high degree of emphasis, generating a sense of optimism in the K-12 community.

Governor Brown created a balanced budget and directed the legislature to create a revenue package for increased services. If the legislature approves these recommendations, the following may occur:

- \$8.97 billion allocated to the State School Fund, plus an additional \$100 million to help pay down the K-12 PERS liability, for a total allocation of \$9.07 billion.
- Full funding for Measure 98
- Increased funding for lower class sizes in K-3, and a 180-day school year.
- Expansion of early learning opportunities, school security and educator pathways.

It will be a busy legislative session in 2019! From all of us at IMESD, we wish you and yours a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!