

**Fact Sheet**  
**State Funded After School Program**

**After School Education and Safety (ASES) Program**

**Funding Source:** State

**Purpose of Program:** The ASES program provides funding to promote local partnerships between schools and local community resources to provide literacy, academic enrichment, and safe constructive alternatives for students in kindergarten and grades one through nine.

**Amount Allocated:** \$550,000,000

**Eligible Fiscal Agent:** Local educational agencies (LEAs); Public school districts, county offices of education, or charter schools. Also city council or county board of supervisors may receive funds.

**Eligible Schools:** Public elementary and middle/junior high schools, priority given to schools with greater than 50% of students eligible to receive Free or Reduced Price Meals (FRPM).

**Per School Grant Amounts:** Up to \$112,500 for elementary schools, Up to \$150,000 for middle/junior high schools; Additional funds available for large schools.

**Required Program Components (to be offered each day):**

- Educational and Literacy Element that includes tutoring/ homework assistance to assist students in meeting state and local achievement standards in the core academic subjects (e.g. reading and math).
- Educational Enrichment Element that offers students engaging activities that reinforce and compliment the regular academic program (e.g. fine arts, physical activity, career technical education, prevention strategies, etc.)

**Operational Requirements:**

- Begin immediately upon the conclusion of the regular school day
- Operate a minimum of 15 hours per week
- Remain open at least until 6:00 PM on every regular school day
- Have a reasonable early daily release policy for participating students
- Offer a daily, nutritious snack that meets requirements on *CA Education Code Section 49430*

**Staffing Requirements:**

- Staff members who directly supervise pupils must meet the minimum qualifications for an instructional aide, pursuant to the LEA's policies.
- The maximum student to staff ratio is 20:1.
- Staff and volunteers are subject to the health screening and fingerprint clearance requirements in current law and LEA policy.

**Funding Match Requirement:**

- At least 33% cash or in-kind local matching funds from the school district, governmental agencies, community organizations, or the private sector for each dollar received in grant funds
- Up to 25% of the matching funds may be from facilities or space usage
- Categorical funds for remedial education cannot be used to meet the match

**ASES Web Address:** <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ba/as/>