Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)
CONTROLLER
$165,540-$205,000/annually
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Los Angeles Unified School District is seeking a CONTROLLER with extensive professional financial management experience, who is organizationally astute, diplomatic and a service-centered leader.

The ideal candidate for this important management position will have:

*Professional financial knowledge (GAAP, GASB, FASB) and the executive/management experience to oversee the Division’s day-to-day operations including financial reporting responsibilities.

*Broad expertise balancing the management of both the content and the context of the financial data and the immediate and legacy impact of it on the systematic and sustainable operations of the District.

*Proficiency in identifying, assessing, and mitigating financial risks that could impact the District’s financial stability.

*A balance of strong communication, analytical mindset, a decision-making framework, and management skills to lead a complex financial operation, including the ability to translate financial data into actionable insights for non-financial stakeholders.

*A forward-thinking approach, combined with the ability to identify creative and innovative solutions, to embracing new technologies, data analytics, and financial tools to enhance efficiency and effectiveness.

*Commitment to the profession demonstrated by possessing a registration as a Certified Public Accountant.

*Strong ethical principles, capable of making difficult decisions when necessary and the ability to handle confidential financial information with the utmost discretion and integrity.

*Experience implementing best practices, trends, and solutions to industry-wide challenges impacting public sector agencies.

*Experience In successfully leading financial process improvements, system implementations, or other change initiatives while minimizing disruptions.
*Willingness to act as trusted advisor to senior leadership, providing financial insights to inform strategic decisions.

*Ability to maintain a positive environment of mutual trust, have an open and approachable manner and easily build rapport with other parties, regardless of differences in background, and organizational level and thrive by leading by example.

*A sense of responsibility towards ensuring that the Office of the Chief Business Officer is effectively supporting the District’s commitments to its students and communities.

*A commitment to developing and empowering a diverse team, fostering professional growth and succession planning.

*Professional resilience to maintain their composure and professionalism to thrive in a high-demand complex work environment.

TYPICAL DUTIES
Directs and administers the activities of the Accounting and Disbursements Division, including:

*Districtwide accounting for revenues, expenditures, and balance sheet accounts preparation of financial reports, revenue and expenditure forecasting, cash-flow management, investments and financing, maintenance of official accounting records and transactions, and related financial functions.

*Directs, reviews, and facilitates financial and school audits, including the preparation of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports (ACFR).

*Manages lower-level directors on the payment, audits, and accounting for salary disbursements, payroll deductions, and related payroll obligations.

*Establishes and maintains liaison with federal and state agencies on the interpretation of fiscal legislations, filing of reimbursement claims, required records, documentation, reports, and the receipt of income from those sources.

*Assures that activities, records, and reports adhere to applicable laws, regulations, requirements from federal and State agencies, governmental, and accounting standards.

* Directs and coordinates the compilation and analysis of data for the District’s mandated periodic reports and for special reports as required.

*Manages lower-level directors with the maintenance of job-cost and stores inventory records, payment of non-salary obligations, and related functions.
ENTRANCE QUALIFICATIONS

Education: Graduation from a recognized college or university with a bachelor’s degree* in accounting or a related field. A degree in accounting is preferable.

Experience: Three (3) years of experience as an executive or manager with responsibility for the accounting, auditing, budgeting, or disbursements of an organization of preferably with at least 1,000 employees and with a budget of at least $100 million. The aforementioned experience must include professional level experience in the same areas, preferably in accounting or auditing. Public sector experience is preferable.

Special: A Certified Public Accountant (CPA) license is preferable. A valid California Driver License and the availability of private transportation, or the ability to utilize an alternative method of transportation.