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SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADMINISTRATORS

THE OFFICIAL CALSA NEWSLETTER



Message from our Co-Executive Directors!



Dear CALSA Familia,

After nine months of COVID-19 related adjustments, and the threat of fires and storms across our State, we all have gone back to school, either remotely or in a hybrid model that combines remote instruction with in-person learning.

Despite this, our CALSA familia demonstrates resilience and advancing equity in ways that truly improve teaching and learning for our *Latinx* students.

Providing access to learning opportunities in a remote learning situation is not an easy task. Our members are re-designing back-to-school experiences that hopefully will produce long-term sustainable change. These challenges have come with the hope of a renewed beginning. It has created partnerships with our local non-profits and community-based organizations. We are more cognizant of supporting and differentiating learning for our special needs, the unhoused, our English-Learners, as well as our youngest learners.

During our Superintendents' and Administrators' Circle sessions, our Women's Leadership Network and Mentoring Program meetings, and our monthly webinars, our members have enjoyed sharing best practices that focus on equity, rigorous learning, and a clear focus on what matters most. These spaces have provided a safe place for administrators to discuss challenges and successes to meet the needs of the staff, students, and families they served.

Over the next coming months, our Nation and State's Education policy may see change. As we ready for what is to come, we are confident that our members' passion for their *WHY* will manifest itself in their continued pursuit of quality education for the students and the districts they lead.

This Thanksgiving Holiday, we give thanks to our members and business partners for their unwavering support of our organization's vision and their undeterred energy navigating life in a COVID-19 environment. Let's all reflect on the good. But most of all, give yourselves the gift of time with family and friends.

Con Carino,

Martha L. Martinez Julia Giza-Lara

Become a CALSA Member
Today!



The 16th annual CALSA Focus On Results: Mid-Year Advance is a great way for your leadership teams to *advance together* while learning from powerful keynote panels, meaningful workshops, evaluating research-based solutions from business partners, growing our professional networks with like-minded leaders, and having fun with the #CALSAFamilia!

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE!](#)

CALSA Continues To Grow!

Welcome, Dr. Roxane Fuentes and Dr. Lorraine Perez to the CALSA Familia!

Region 1 Director- Bay Area

Region 6 Director- San Diego/Inland Empire



Learn more about Dr. Fuentas



Learn more about Dr. Perez

November Virtual Events Calendar:

We invite you to join California educational leaders and organizations to connect our resources and develop our leaders to transform our schools, our districts, and our future. RSVP for our upcoming events today and see for yourself what CALSA is all about: *leadership, advocacy, organizational efficacy, and Familia!*

SUPERINTENDENTS' Circle calsa

IN-PERSON PLANNING, RE-OPENING, & PIVOTING DURING COVID: 60 DAYS-IN SUCCESS STORIES

THURSDAY, DEC. 3RD
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

SPECIAL GUESTS:

- DR. RICH MALFATTI, RETIRED SUPERINTENDENT
- DR. EDGAR LAMPKIN, SUPERINTENDENT WILLIAMS USD
- MRS. LORI GONZALEZ, SUPERINTENDENT
- DR. ANGELICA RAMSEY, SUPERINTENDENT
- MRS. ZANDRA GALVAN, SUPERINTENDENT GREENFIELD USD

Register here

THE ADMINISTRATORS' Circle

THURSDAY, DEC. 10TH
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM

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- DR. EDGAR LAMPKIN, SUPERINTENDENT WILLIAMS USD
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CALSA Core Partner Corner



**Skill
Struck**

Equity in Computer Science Matching Grant

Use your Learning Loss Mitigation Funds on the grant before funds expire on December 31!

Did you know that *Latinx* students make up 54 percent of California students, but they represent only 15 percent of AP Computer Science test-takers? Your school or district can change statistics like this one and improve equity in computer science (CS), for students of all races, genders, and skill levels, by building a strong and engaging code curriculum into grades K-12.

We recognize that not all schools have the funding necessary to give all students a quality CS education. That's why **we're offering a matching grant to help bring educational equity into your schools**. This means that Skill Struck will match, dollar-for-dollar, the annual licensing, implementation, professional development, and support for Skill Struck's platforms.

To learn more about the matching grant and fill out the application (in just five minutes), click here: <https://www.skillstruck.com/matching-grant/equity-in-cs>
Applications close December 14, 2020.

What is Skill Struck?

Skill Struck provides online CS education to K–12 schools and districts. Skill Struck platforms are engaging for students and easy to implement and use for teachers, including teachers with no computer science background.

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