

ACSA Region 7 Award Recipients

Superintendent of the Year

- 2024 Shannon Sanford, Superintendent, Stanislaus Union SD
- 2023 Dana Trevethan, Superintendent, Turlock USD
- 2022 Dr. Terry Chevalier-Metzger, Superintendent, Denair USD
- 2021 Dr. Sara Noguchi, Superintendent, Modesto City Schools
- 2020 James Mousalimas, County Superintendent, San Joaquin COE
- 2019 Dr. Kirk Nicholas, Superintendent, Lammersville USD
- 2018 Tom Changnon, County Superintendent, Stanislaus COE
- 2017 Dr. Britta Skavdahl, Superintendent, Stanislaus Union SD
- 2016 Dave Garcia, Superintendent, Empire Union SD
- 2015 Dr. Scott Siegel, Ceres USD
- 2014 Diane Dotson, Jamestown ESD/Curtis Creek ESD
- 2013 Dale Hansen, Lammersville USD
- 2012 Dr. John Keiter, Superintendent, Summerville Union HSD/Twain Harte Long Barn Union SD
- 2011 Brian Beck, Superintendent, Hughson USD
- 2010 Tom Changnon, County Superintendent, Stanislaus COE
- 2009 Dr. Jim Franco, Superintendent, Tracy USD
- 2008 Patrick Sweeney, Superintendent, Patterson Joint USD
- 2007 Walt Hanline, Superintendent, Ceres USD
- 2006 Martin Petersen, County Superintendent, Stanislaus COE
- 2005 Rob Gaskill, Superintendent, Sonora Union HSD
- 2004 Dr. Kathy Boomer, Stanislaus Union SD
- 2003 Wendell Chun, Superintendent, Oakdale Joint USD
- 2002 John Brophy, County Superintendent, Calaveras COE
- 2001 Dr. John Estes, Superintendent Linden, USD
- 2000 Dr. Beatrice Lingenfelter, Superintendent, Ceres USD
- 1999 Linda LaMarre, Curtis Creek SD
- 1998 Keith Larrick, Superintendent, Tracy USD
- 1997 Robert W. Price, Superintendent, Empire Union SD
- 1996 Andy Schindler, Superintendent, Stanislaus Union SD

Superintendent/Principal of the Year

- 2024 Dr. Ben Howell – Summerville Elementary SD
- 2023 No award given
- 2022 Wynette Hilton, Superintendent/Principal, Big Oak Flat Groveland USD
- 2021 No award given
- 2020 Carla Haakma, Superintendent/Principal, Belleview Elementary/Belleview SD
- 2019 No award given
- 2018 Sharon Johnson, Curtis Creek School District
- 2017 Mark Campbell, Calaveras USD
- 2016 Don Ogden, Vallecito Union SD
- 2015 Dave Urquhart, Big Oak Flat - Groveland USD
- 2014 Paul Gardner, Hickman Charter
- 2013 No award given
- 2012 Dr. Jim Frost, Big Oak Flat - Groveland USD
- 2011 Shannon Sanford Rice, Graton SD
- 2010 Joanne Oien, New Hope Elementary, San Joaquin

2009 Leigh Shampain, Summerville School District
2008 Rusty Wynn, Paradise Elementary School District
2007 Fred Barreiro
2006 No award given
2005 No award given
2004 No award given
2003 No award given
2002 No award given
2001 Ron Parker, Summerville USD
2000 No award given
1999 Bill Draa, Banta ESD
1998 Bill Chiechi, Oak View USD, Acampo
1997 Norm Wiley, Belleview SD, Tuolumne COE
1996 Ellen Hancock, Superintendent, Jefferson SD, Tracy
1995 No award given
1994 No award given
1993 No award given
1992 No award given
1991 No award given
1990 Bob Wallace, Superintendent, Escalon USD

Secondary Principal of the Year

2024 Nickie Lamm, Don Pedro High School – Big Oak Flat-Groveland USD
2023 Greg Diaz, Principal, Riverbank HS, Riverbank USD
2022 Michael Shroyer, Principal, Grace Davis HS, Modesto City Schools
2021 Angela Freeman, Principal, Pitman High School, Turlock USD
2020 Nathan Schar, Principal, Johansen High School, Modesto City Schools
2019 Dr. C. Sean Richey, Principal, Riverbank High School, Riverbank USD
2018 Gabriel “Gabe” Ontiveros, Turlock High School, Turlock USD
2017 Deborah Rowe, Modesto City Schools
2016 Michael Merrill, Calaveras High School
2015 Linda Stubbs, Ceres USD
2014 Rod Hollars, Turlock USD
2013 Dana Trevethan, Turlock USD
2012 Dr. Cheryl Domenichelli, Tracy USD
2011 Jim Davis, Lodi USD
2010 Dave Urquhart, Summerville High School, Tuolumne
2009 Debra Davis, Hughson High School, Hughson USD
2008 Don Davis, Principal, Waterford High School, Waterford USD
2007 Stephen Winter, Manteca USD
2006 Robert Vizzolini, Stanislaus COE
2005 Rick Jones, Principal, Oakdale High School, Oakdale Joint USD
2004 Mark Campbell,
2003 Rick Arucan, Manteca USD
2002 Charles Edmonds, Principal, Davis High, Modesto City Schools
2001 Bob Lee, Principal, Manteca High School, Manteca USD
2000 Vincent Rucobo, Jr., Principal, Patterson High School, Patterson Joint USD
1999 Dennis France, Principal, Escalon High School, Escalon USD
1998 Joseph Gregori, Jr., Principal, Downey High School, Modesto City Schools
1997 Jacqueline Flowers, Principal, Tokay High School, Lodi USD
1996 Linda Frost, East Union High School, Manteca USD

Middle Grades Principal of the Year

- 2024 Scott Ferreira, Somerset Middle School – Sylvan Union SD
- 2023 Scott Nicotero, Principal, Avery Middle School, Vallecito Union SD
- 2022 Heather Sharp, Principal, Sebastian Questa Elementary School (K-8), Lammersville USD
- 2021 Dr. Isaias Rumayor, Jr., Norman Glick Middle School, Empire Union SD
- 2020 Kevin Bizzini, Cardozo Middle School, Riverbank USD
- 2019 Mitch Heldstab, Summerville Elementary School, Summerville SD
- 2018 Ryan Gonzales, Wickland Elementary School, Lammersville USD
- 2017 Carol Lubinsky, Ceres USD
- 2016 C.W. Smith, Norma Glick Middle School, Empire Union SD
- 2015 Amy Hasselwander, Calaveras USD
- 2014 Mitch Wood, Sylvan Union SD
- 2013 Christine Cearley, Vallecito Union SD
- 2012 No award given
- 2011 Terry Asplund, Lincoln USD
- 2010 Laura Wharff, Ustach Middle School, Sylvan Union SD
- 2009 Michael Woicicki, Twain Harte
- 2008 Don Davis, Principal, Waterford High School, Waterford USD
- 2007 Roger Goatcher, Manteca Unified SD
- 2006 Dr. Denise Lavin, Clover Middle School, Tracy USD
- 2005 Joanne Balestreri, Principal, Golden West High School, Manteca USD
- 2004 Phil Alfano, Mark Twain Jr. High, Modesto City Schools
- 2003 Michael Gonzales, Blaker Kinser Junior High School, Ceres USD
- 2002 Mike Kinsey, Principal, Salida Middle School, Salida USD
- 2001 Judy Borgquist, Principal, Tenaya School, Big Oak Flats-Groveland USD
- 2000 Dr. Brenda Chapman, Principal, Columbia Elementary School, Columbia USD
- 1999 Karl Modgling, Mae Hensley Jr. High School, Ceres USD
- 1998 Sue Richards, Principal, Amador USD
- 1997 Denise Laven, Principal, Clover Middle School, Tracy USD
- 1996 Melva Rush, Teel Middle School, Empire Union SD

Secondary Co-Administrator of the Year

- 2024 Marianne Goularte, Whitmore Charter High School – Ceres USD
- 2023 Phuc Pham-Goulart, Assistant Principal, Modesto High School, Modesto City Schools
- 2022 Rogelio Adame, Associate Principal, Central Valley HS, Ceres USD
- 2021 Joni Hellstrom, Associate Principal, Mountain House HS, Lammersville USD
- 2020 Ed Pelfrey, Assistant Principal, Ceres High School, Ceres USD
- 2019 Amy Dunn, Assistant Principal, Ceres High School, Ceres USD
- 2018 Troy Fast, Assistant Principal, Manteca High School, Manteca USD
- 2017 Lonnie Cornell, Ceres USD
- 2016 Greg Leland, Vice Principal, Sierra High School, Manteca USD
- 2015 Rosemarie Kloepfer, Ceres High School, Ceres USD
- 2014 Rene Rodriguez Malamed, Calaveras USD
- 2013 Pat Chabot, Sonora Union HSD
- 2012 No award given
- 2011 Andre Phillips, Stockton USD
- 2010 No award given
- 2009 Kristi Britton, Central Valley High School, Ceres USD

- 2008 Frank Gonzales, Assistant Principal, Weston Ranch High School, Manteca USD
- 2007 Sunny Enos
- 2006 Doug McCreath, Manteca USD
- 2005 Bill Dendle, Vice Principal, Lindbergh Educational Center, Manteca USD
- 2004 Diana Harford, Summerville
- 2003 Stephen Winter, Manteca USD
- 2002 Denny Wong, Summerville
- 2001 James Davis, A.P., Sierra HS, Manteca USD
- 2000 Dean Shannon, Assistant Principal, Downey High School, Modesto City Schools
- 1999 Daniel Ocheltree, Assistant Principal, East Union High School, Manteca USD
- 1998 Dave Urquhart, Grade Level Coordinator, Summerville UHS
- 1997 Robert E. Lee, Assistant Principal, Grace Davis HS, Modesto City Schools
- 1996 Roger Francis, Vice Principal, Sonora UHSD

Elementary Principal of the Year

- 2024 Stephanie Pimentel, Adkison Elementary School – Ceres USD
- 2023 Dr. Joanna O'Brien, Principal, Woodward Elementary School, Sylvan Union SD
- 2022 Steve Merchant, Principal, Samuel Vaughn Elementary School, Ceres USD
- 2021 Ernesto Calderon, Principal, Oroville Wright Elementary School, Modesto City Schools
- 2020 Teresa (Tedde) Vaupel, Sylvan STEAM Academy, Sylvan Union SD
- 2019 Jeri Hamera, Principal, Hughes Elementary School, Empire Union SD
- 2018 Dr. Laura Fong, Principal, Dennis Earl Elementary School, Turlock USD
- 2017 Jennifer Backman, Principal, Virginia Parks Elementary School, Ceres USD
- 2016 Dr. Tierra Crothers, San Andreas Elementary
- 2015 Dr. Suzan Turner, Manteca USD
- 2014 Brian Murphy, Ceres USD
- 2013 Lori Mariani, Ceres USD
- 2012 Heather Sherburn, Modesto City Schools
- 2011 Jeri Passalaqua, Salida Union SD
- 2010 Arturo Duran, Grayson Charter School, Patterson Joint USD
- 2009 Marla Mack, Westport Elementary, Ceres USD
- 2008 Dr. Cheri Gibson, Principal, Don Pedro Elementary, Ceres USD
- 2007 Bruce Peccianti
- 2006 Patty Sasaki
- 2005 Russ Antracoli, Principal, Sylvan Elementary, Sylvan Union SD
- 2004 Gary McDaniel, Principal, Empire Union SD
- 2003 Denise Wickham, Principal, Riverbank USD
- 2002 Catherine M. Silva, Principal, Northmead Elementary, Patterson Joint USD
- 2001 Dr. Antonio Serna, Principal, Louis Bohn Elementary, Tracy USD
- 2000 Dr. Lana Tuemmler, Principal, Capistrano Elementary, Empire Union SD
- 1999 Virginia Stewart, Principal, Poet-Christian Elementary, Tracy USD
- 1998 Teresa Roberson, Principal, Mildred Perkins Elementary, Salida Union SD
- 1997 Steve Betando, Principal, Eisenhut Elementary, Stanislaus Union SD
- 1996 Karin Newlin, Principal, McKinley School, Tracy USD
- 1995 No award given
- 1994 No award given
- 1993 Mary Ann Sanders, Principal, Standiford Elementary, Sylvan Union SD

Elementary Co-Administrator of the Year

- 2024 Laura Leon Marshall, Caswell Dual Language Academy – Ceres USD
- 2023 Nate Diamantine, Assistant Principal, Patricia Kay Beaver Leadership Magnet, Ceres USD
- 2022 Jason Strickland, Vice Principal, Sebastian Questa Elementary School, Lammersville USD
- 2021 Dr. Jeffrey Persons, Assistant Principal, Sandra Tovar Medeiros Elementary School, Turlock USD
- 2020 Jon Valenti, Assistant Principal, Norman Glick Middle School, Empire Union SD
- 2019 Juan Lopez, Assistant Principal, South/West Park Elementary School, Tracy USD
- 2018 Shane Hulin, Assistant Principal, Sinclear Elementary, Ceres USD
- 2017 No award given
- 2016 Janet Hanby, Vice Principal, Fair Oaks Elementary, Oakdale Joint USD
- 2015 Christie Newman, Manteca USD
- 2013 Kathy Pinol, Oakdale Joint USD
- 2012 No award given
- 2011 Brenda Scholl, Manteca USD
- 2010 Guzman, Sequoia Elementary, Manteca USD
- 2009 Sherrie Jamero, Neil Hafley School, Manteca USD
- 2008 Denise L. Wong, Vice Principal, Shasta Elementary, Manteca USD
- 2007 Linda Crocker
- 2006 Jack Scott, Salida Union SD
- 2005 Maryalice Alberg, Assistant Principal, Julien Elementary, Turlock USD
- 2004 Sylvia Bachs, Salida Union SD
- 2003 Lisa Besso, Tracy USD
- 2002 Michele M. Wolf, Vice Principal, Chrysler Elementary, Stanislaus Union SD

Central Office Administrator of the Year

- 2024 Annie Cunial, Division Director of STEM Programs – San Joaquin COE
- 2023 Brad Goudeau, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services, Modesto City Schools
- 2022 Dr. Heather Contreras, Assistant Superintendent, School Leadership, Modesto City Schools
- 2021 Dr. Amy Peterman, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, Ceres USD
- 2020 Carolyn Viss, Director II, School & District Support, Stanislaus COE
- 2019 Laura Granger, Director of Professional Learning/Induction, Sylvan Union SD
- 2018 Sue Rich, Assistant Superintendent, Stanislaus COE
- 2017 Jose Beltran, Ceres USD
- 2016 Scott Kuykendall, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Options, Stanislaus COE
- 2015 Marti Reed, Sylvan Union SD
- 2014 Cathy Pietanza, Ceres USD
- 2013 Mary Stires, Stanislaus COE
- 2012 John Christiansen, Ceres USD
- 2011 Dr. Denise Wickham, Ceres USD
- 2010 Susan Taylor, Riverbank USD
- 2009 Bill Schneiderman, Tuolumne COE
- 2008 Bob Gausman, Stanislaus COE
- 2007 Jane Johnston, Stanislaus COE
- 2006 Dr. Brenda Chapman, Tuolumne COE
- 2005 Kent Hinton, Director, Assessment Projects, San Joaquin COE
- 2004 Carl Toliver, Stockton USD

- 2003 Kris Stejskal, Stanislaus Union SD
- 2002 Dr. Gary Dei Rossi, Assistant Superintendent/Ed Serv., San Joaquin COE
- 2001 Marianne Pack, Director CTAP, Stanislaus COE
- 2000 Dr. John Berry, Deputy Superintendent, Empire Union SD
- 1999 Kerry Johnson, Director of Ed. Technology, Tracy USD
- 1998 Del Rydquist, Assistant Superintendent/Ed Services, Modesto City Schools
- 1997 Wendell Chun, Director Special Ed., Modesto City Schools
- 1996 Gayle Asuncion, Admin./Health Serv. Stockton USD

Curriculum & Instruction Administrator of the Year

- 2024 Carrie Duckart, Assistant Superintendent Curriculum and Instruction & Professional Development – Hughson USD
- 2023 Kathy Griggs, Director, Educational Services, Calaveras USD
- 2022 Heather Sherburn, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction & Technology, Lammersville USD
- 2021 Ricardo Chavez, Assistant Superintendent, Escalon USD
- 2020 Shellie Santos, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, Turlock USD
- 2019 Veronica Miranda, Assistant Superintendent Curriculum & Instruction, Patterson Joint USD
- 2018 Andrew Kersten, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services, Empire Union
- 2017 Laura Wharf, Sylvan Union SD
- 2016 No award given
- 2015 Kim Newton, Modesto City Schools
- 2014 Kea Willett, Turlock USD
- 2013 Dr. Carol Anderson-Woo, Tracy USD
- 2012 No award given
- 2011 Sue Rich, Stanislaus COE
- 2010 Kathy Pon, Patterson Joint USD
- 2009 Janet Petsche, Lincoln USD
- 2008 Dr. Mary Jones, Ceres USD
- 2007 Kathy Northington, Calaveras COE
- 2006 Martha Gausman, Sylvan Union SD
- 2005 Chris King, Assistant Superintendent, Stanislaus COE
- 2004 Judy Wentworth, Escalon USD
- 2003 Betty White, Calaveras COE
- 2002 Marilyn Hildebrandt, Asst. Sup./Ed Services, Ceres USD
- 2001 Kathy Scholl, Director, State/Federal Programs & Lang. Arts, San Joaquin COE
- 2000 Del Alberti, Superintendent, Lodi USD
- 1999 Celeste M. Boyd, Assistant Superintendent/Inst. Services, Tuolumne COE
- 1998 Catherine Pennington, Principal, John Muir School, Lodi USD
- 1997 Lynn McPeak, Assistant Superintendent/Inst. Services, Empire Union SD
- 1996 Harry E. Bakker, Assistant Superintendent, Stanislaus COE
- 1995 No award given
- 1994 No award given
- 1993 Mike Sibitz, Sylvan Union SD

Personnel/Human Resources Administrator of the Year

- 2024 Sara Gil, Senior Director, HR– Modesto City Schools
- 2023 Fernando Ureno, Director of Personnel, Turlock USD
- 2022 Diolinda (Didi) Peterson, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, Sylvan Union SD

- 2021 Mike Henderson, Associate Superintendent, Human Resources, Modesto City Schools
- 2020 Jose Aldaco, Assistant Superintendent, Waterford USD
- 2019 Kathy Griggs, Director of Personnel, Calaveras USD
- 2018 Shawn Posey, Assistant Superintendent, Patterson Joint Unified SD
- 2017 Sharon Roddick, Sylvan Union SD
- 2016 Barbara Tanner, Division Administrator, Human Resources, Stanislaus COE
- 2015 Dr. Margaret Barnett, Manteca USD
- 2014 Heidi Lawler, Assistant Superintendent, Turlock USD
- 2013 Debra Hendricks, Sylvan Union SD
- 2012 Phil Alfano, Patterson Joint USD
- 2011 Karen DePrater, San Joaquin COE
- 2010 Steve Fabela, Ceres USD
- 2009 Mike Gonzales, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, Empire Union SD
- 2008 Bonnie Bennett, Director of Teacher Development, Manteca USD
- 2007 Chris Flesuras, Jr., Modesto City Schools
- 2006 Steve Betando, Stanislaus Union SD
- 2005 Thomas Uslan, Associate Superintendent Human Resources, Lincoln USD
- 2004 Fred Rich, Oakdale Joint USD
- 2003 No award given
- 2002 Robert Stammerjohan, Assistant Superintendent/Personnel, Turlock USD
- 2001 Sallie Carter, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel, Ceres USD
- 2000 Dr. Kathleen Boomer, Assistant Superintendent/Pers. Services, Manteca USD
- 1999 Michael Branham, Dire/Personnel, Oakdale Joint USD
- 1998 Ray Strong, Associate Superintendent/H.R., Tracy USD
- 1997 Bea Lingenfelter, Interim Superintendent, Ceres USD
- 1996 Chet Jensen, Director Personnel, Stanislaus Union SD

Special Education Administrator of the Year

- 2024 Janelle DeGreek, Program Specialist – Ceres USD
- 2023 Ericka Tschantz, Director of Special Education, Turlock USD
- 2022 Dr. Christi Allan, Senior Director, SELPA, Secondary Special Education, Modesto City Schools
- 2021 Saundra Resendiz-Day, Director III, Special Education, Stanislaus COE
- 2020 Christina Romero, Senior Director, SELPA, Modesto City Schools
- 2019 Kristi Britton, Director of Special Education, Ceres USD
- 2018 Dr. Jan Kendall, Director of Special Education, Calaveras USD
- 2017 Jose Aldaco, Assistant Superintendent, Waterford USD
- 2016 Karen Young, Director of Student Services & Special Ed., Riverbank USD
- 2015 Robin A. Searway, Calaveras COE
- 2014 Lisa Cheney, Escalon USD
- 2013 Sarah Grantano, Stanislaus COE
- 2012 Kathy Skeels, San Joaquin COE
- 2011 Patty Haskell, Calaveras COE
- 2010 Jan Kearns, Tuolumne County SELPA
- 2009 Bonnie Jones-Lee, Stanislaus COE
- 2008 David Hodge, Director of Special Education, Patterson Joint USD
- 2007 Debra Hopman, Jefferson SD
- 2006 Sandee Kludt, San Joaquin COE
- 2005 Nancy Flynn, Director of Special Education, Tracy USD
- 2004 Jim Norby, Stanislaus COE

- 2003 Jackie Hamilton, Special Ed. Director, Mother Lode Charter
- 2002 Patricia Dimond, SELPA Director, Stanislaus COE
- 2001 Wayne Beck, Dir. of Personnel/Site/Spec. Ed., Salida Union SD
- 2000 Dr. Betty Ingell, Dir/Spec Ed & Health Services, Manteca USD
- 1999 Jamie Spaulding, Adm/Clover MS, San Joaquin COE
- 1998 Roger Fisher, Assistant Principal, Beyer High School, Modesto City Schools
- 1997 Suzi Smither, Principal, J.F. Kennedy School, Stanislaus COE
- 1996 Lane Willey, Director Special Ed., Tuolumne County Schools

Student Services Administrator of the Year (formerly Pupil Personnel)

- 2024 Carrie Albert, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services – Sylvan Union SD
- 2023 Danielle Hinkle, Senior Director, Student Support Services, Modesto City Schools
- 2022 Tracy Manzoni – Executive Director of Student Services – Patterson Jt. USD
- 2021 Gil Ogden, Director of Student Services, Turlock USD
- 2020 Steven Hurst, Director I, Student Support Services, Modesto City Schools
- 2019 Kristi Mabee, Director of Health Services & Special Programs, Stanislaus COE
- 2018 Karen Young, Director of Student Services, Riverbank USD
- 2017 Tracy Manzoni, Patterson Joint USD
- 2016 None
- 2015 Jeff Santos, Turlock USD
- 2014 Gil Ogden, Turlock USD
- 2013 Larry Mendonca, Oakdale Joint USD
- 2012 Glenda Bacca, Ceres USD
- 2011 Randy Klinkefus, Sylvan Union SD
- 2010 No award given
- 2009 No award given
- 2008 John McKillip, Senior Director, Student Services, Manteca USD
- 2007 Steven Payne
- 2006 No award given
- 2005 No award given
- 2004 No award given
- 2003 Judy Legrand, Patterson Joint USD
- 2002 Randy Fillpot, Director/CWA, Modesto City Schools
- 2001 No award given
- 2000 Dr. Patricia McGuire, Pupil Services Coordinator, Turlock USD
- 1999 Thomas Black, Sup/Child Welfare & Attendance, Modesto City Schools
- 1998 Jerry Panella, Coordinator Student Support Services, Ceres USD
- 1997 Rebecca Frame, Director Curriculum & Student Services, Tracy USD
- 1996 Sharon Brenneise, Director Pupil Personnel Services, Lincoln USD

Adult Education Administrator of the Year

- 2024 No award given
- 2023 Antony Little, Director of Alternative Education, Modesto City Schools
- 2022 No award given
- 2021 Jared Hungerford, Director Curriculum & Instruction/Adult Education, Calaveras COE
- 2020 No award given
- 2019 Dallas Plaa, Coordinator of Educational Options, Ceres USD
- 2018 Roy Morlan, Principal, Sonora Adult School
- 2017 No award given

- 2016 Isaias Rumayor, Jr., Turlock Adult School, Turlock USD
- 2015 No award given
- 2014 Chris Kleinart, San Joaquin COE
- 2013 Tonya Bibbins, Patterson Joint USD
- 2009 Howard Holtsman, Manteca USD
- 2005 Paula Smith, Adult Education Administrator, Ceres USD
- 2004 Carol Hirota, Stockton USD
- 2003 Walt Gouveia, Tracy USD
- 2002 No award given
- 2001 Keith Edmonds, Director, Robert T. Elliott, Modesto City Schools
- 2000 Janet Knoepfel, Principal, Argus HS, Ceres USD
- 1999 Carol Perry, Curriculum Coordinator, Ceres USD
- 1998 William P. "Pat" Miller, Alt. Ed. Administrator, Amador COE
- 1997 Paul K. Spencer, Principal, Patterson Adult School, Patterson Joint USD
- 1996 Howard Holtsman, Principal, Lindbergh Education Center, Manteca USD

Career Technical Education Administrator of the Year (was Vocational Education-changed in 2003)

- 2024 Kevin Fox, Director I, CTE - Stanislaus County Office of Education
- 2023 Pam Knapp, Director, College and Career Readiness, San Joaquin COE
- 2022 No award given
- 2021 No award given
- 2020 Ben Forbert, Principal, Mountain House High School, Lammersville USD
- 2019 No award given
- 2018 Jeff Rowe, Career Technical Education Director, Patterson Joint Unified SD
- 2017 No award given
- 2015 Jay Simmonds, Ceres USD
- 2013 Alice Pollard, Turlock USD
- 2012 Dr. Mike McCoy, Sonora Union HSD
- 2011 Dr. Doug Martin, San Joaquin COE
- 2009 Doug McCreath, Manteca USD
- 2008 Kathy Ruble, Coordinator, School-to-Career/ROP, Manteca USD
- 2007 Jacqueline Flowers, San Joaquin COE
- 2006 No award given
- 2005 Sheilah Goulart, Program Manager, San Joaquin COE
- 2004 Howard Holtsman, Manteca USD
- 2003 Jeff Tilton, Stanislaus
- 2002 Candace Blue, Program Director/Partnership for Tomorrow, San Joaquin COE
- 2001 Rick Wohle, Dir/Sec Ed., Manteca USD
- 2000 Jeff Albritton, Associate Principal, Davis High School, Modesto City Schools
- 1999 Don Borges, Program Manager, Stanislaus COE
- 1998 Judie Piscitello, Director Career Ed, Stanislaus COE
- 1997 Chris King, Director Curriculum, Stanislaus COE
- 1990 Fran Trout, Stanislaus COE

Continuation/Educational Options Administrator of the Year

- 2024 Sarah Cox, Principal, Elliott Alternative Education Program – Modesto City Schools
- 2023 Linda Stubbs, Principal, Argus/Endeavor High School, Ceres USD
- 2022 Felipe Meraz – Principal, Roselawn Continuation HS – Turlock USD

- 2021 Rachelle Elledge Barkus, Senior Director, Educational Options – Modesto City Schools
- 2020 Jose Sanchez, Principal, Del Puerto High School, Patterson Joint USD
- 2019 René Malamed, Alternative Ed Principal, Calaveras USD
- 2018 Daniel Vannest, Principal, Stanislaus COE
- 2017 Lonnie Cox, San Joaquin COE
- 2016 Jan Gordon, Principal, Ceres USD
- 2015 Corleen Estes, San Joaquin COE
- 2014 Mark Yost, San Joaquin COE
- 2013 Wendy Frink, San Joaquin COE
- 2012 No award given
- 2011 Kathy Crouse, Manteca USD
- 2010 Scott Nanik, Calaveras River Academy, Calaveras COE
- 2009 James Roeber, Sonora Union High School District
- 2008 Telka Walser, San Joaquin COE
- 2007 Michael McLaurin
- 2006 Vincent Rucobo, Patterson Joint Unified SD
- 2005 No award given
- 2004 John Simmonds, Ceres USD
- 2003 Dave Crocker, Sonora UHSD
- 2002 Frank Orlando, Dir/Co Serv, Calaveras COE
- 2001 Dr. Mick Founts, Associate Superintendent, San Joaquin COE
- 2000 No award given
- 1999 Jacqueline Flowers, Dir. II/Alt Programs, San Joaquin COE
- 1998 Judie Piscitello, Dir/Career Ed, Stanislaus COE
- 1997 W. Pat Miller, Dir/Alt Prog, Amador CUSD
- 1996 Rodney L. Owen, Principal, Elliott Alt Ctr, Modesto City Schools

Business Services Administrator of the Year

- 2024 No award given
- 2023 Myra “Lizette” Aguilar, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Sylvan Union SD
- 2022 No award given
- 2021 Marjorie Bettencourt, Assistant Superintendent, Finance & Accountability, Turlock USD
- 2020
- 2019 Kassandra Booth, Director of Fiscal Services, Calaveras USD
- 2018 Andrey Viscovich, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Empire Union
- 2017 No award given
- 2016 Yvonne Peres, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Sylvan Union SD
- 2015 No award given
- 2014 Kelly Robinson, Escalon USD
- 2013 Pam Wall, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Empire Union SD
- 2012 Steve Menge, Patterson Joint USD
- 2011 Lori Decker, Chief Financial Officer, Turlock USD
- 2010 Carrillo-Bret Harte Union High School District
- 2009 Scott Siegel, Ceres USD
- 2008 Tim Hern, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Oakdale Joint USD
- 2007 No award given
- 2006 Dr. Pat McGuire, Turlock USD
- 2005 No award given

- 2004 No award given
- 2003 Carolyn Hutton, Business Manager, Banta ESD
- 2002 Dr. Casey Goodall, Assistant Superintendent, Business, Tracy USD
- 2001 Jack Rudd, Assistant Superintendent, Business, Ceres USD
- 2000 Becky Slaughter, JPA-Med/MAA Director, Tuolumne COE
- 1999 Sandra L. Lemmons, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Modesto City Schools
- 1998 Melanie Thompson, Salida Union SD
- 1997 Don Kiger, Business Manager, Empire Union SD

Classified Leader of the Year

- 2024 Anthony Luna, Site Technician Manager, IETS – Modesto City Schools
- 2023 Scott Richardson, Director, Maintenance & Operations, Turlock USD
- 2022 Angela Zeoli, Director I, Purchasing, Modesto City Schools
- 2021 Aaron Castro, Sr., Supervisor, Environmental Health & Safety, Modesto City Schools
- 2020 Araseli Zamora, Out of School Time/Grant Manager. Riverbank USD
- 2019 Lyzette Mendoza, Administrative Assistant, Ceres USD
- 2018 Adriana Cortes Solorio, Project Liaison, San Joaquin COE
- 2017 No award given
- 2016 Elizabeth Rico, Director Business Services, Tuolumne CSOS
- 2015 No award given
- 2014 Liz Stanko, Calaveras COE
- 2013 Claudia Davis, Calaveras COE
- 2012 Cindy Young, Stanislaus COE
- 2011 Christine Fitzpatrick, Tracy USD
- 2010 Lynette Silva, Hughson USD
- 2009 Kandy Woerz, Stanislaus COE
- 2008 Cheryl Barton, Director Student/Media Services, Tuolumne Co. Supt. of Schools
- 2007 Laurie DeBoer, Manteca USD
- 2006 No award given
- 2005 Kathy Ruble, STC Support Liaison, Lindbergh Educational Center, Manteca USD
- 2004 Carol Metivier, Jefferson SD
- 2003 Isabel Rockwell, Waterford USD
- 2002 Peggy Clark, Director of Child Nutrition, Ceres USD
- 2001 Cheri Folendorf, Director of Personnel, Calaveras USD
- 2000 Ada Zottarelli, Personnel Specialist, Manteca USD
- 1999 Carolyn Hutton, Business Manager, Banta ESD
- 1998 Barbara McCleskey, Administrative Assistant, Patterson Jt. USD
- 1997 Debby Pearson, Instructional Services Coordinator, San Joaquin COE
- 1996 Barbara Cortese, Director Human Resources, Riverbank USD

Confidential Employee of the Year (Classified)

- 2024 Marilyn Croft, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent – Ceres USD
- 2023 Cheryl Crawford, Administrative Assistant/Office Manager, Turlock USD
- 2022 Velma Silva, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, Sylvan Union SD
- 2021 Chrissy Mastras, Administrative Assistant to the Associate Superintendent, CIPD, Modesto City Schools
- 2020 Roberta Cheney, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, Turlock USD
- 2019 No award given
- 2018 Kelly Gilbertson, Administrative Secretary to the Superintendent, Twain Harte

- 2017 Beth Parker Jimenez, Ceres USD
- 2016 Janai Stanton, Coordinator Administrative Services, San Joaquin COE
- 2015 No award given
- 2014 Shirley Bell, Calaveras COE
- 2013 Michelle Ryan, Ripon USD
- 2012 Roberta Cheney, Turlock USD
- 2011 Aggie Christensen, San Joaquin COE
- 2010 No award given
- 2009 No award given
- 2008 Grace Merritt, Administrative Assistant, Jefferson SD
- 2007 Debbie Koehler, Calaveras COE
- 2006 Lilliam Parnoutsoukian, Ceres USD
- 2005 Janet Mattfeld, Administrative Secretary, Manteca USD
- 2004 Claudia Vicino, Administrative Assistant, Empire Union SD
- 2003 Nancy Kettner, Tracy USD
- 2002 Connie Gundlach, Administrative Assistant, Ceres USD
- 2001 Marilyn Krause, Administrative Assistant, Calaveras COE
- 2000 Sandi Trucco, Personnel Analyst, Stockton USD
- 1999 Dee Dee Holcher, Administrative Secretary, Ceres USD
- 1998 Claudia Vicino, Administrative Assistant, Empire Union SD
- 1997 Maria Serpa, Personnel Analyst, Tracy USD
- 1996 Sheilah Goulart, Administrative Secretary, Manteca USD

Technology Administrator of the Year

- 2024 Ryan Reynolds, Senior Director, Assessment & Evaluation, IETS – Modesto City Schools
- 2023 Ashley Grim, Coordinator, Educational Services, Ceres USD
- 2022 Troy Ashton, Division Director II, Infrastructure, Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools
- 2021 No award given
- 2020 Mariana Sandoval, Education Technology Specialist, Ceres USD
- 2019 Sarah Olson, Principal, Whitmore Charter School of Arts & Technology, Ceres USD
- 2018 Jason “Jay” Brem, Director of Technology & Innovation, Turlock USD
- 2017 Ric Stitt, Calaveras USD
- 2016 Chris Higle, Director of Educational Technology Services, Ceres USD
- 2015 Ed Babakhan, San Joaquin COE
- 2014 Mike Trainor, Turlock USD
- 2013 John Patten, Sylvan Union SD

Professor of Education of the Year

- 2024 Marie Russell – California State, Stanislaus
- 2023 No award given
- 2022 No award given
- 2021 Dr. Denise Wickham, California State University, Stanislaus
- 2020 Dana Trevethan, Superintendent, Turlock USD
- 2019 Dr. Scott Siegel, California State University, Stanislaus
- 2018 Dr. Mary Jones, California State University, Stanislaus
- 2017 No award given
- 2016 No award given
- 2015 John Leamy, Columbia College

- 2014 Dr. Lynn Beck, Dean, Benerd School of Education, UOP
- 2013 No award given
- 2012 No award given
- 2011 Dr. Diane Carnahan, Teachers College of San Joaquin
- 2010 Tony Borba, California State University, Stanislaus
- 2009 Dean Welin, Chapman University
- 2008 Dr. Tony Serna, Assistant Professor, University of the Pacific
- 2007 No award given
- 2006 Dr. Bob Price, California State University, Stanislaus
- 2005 Dr. Chet Jensen, Professor of School Administration, CSU, Stanislaus
- 2004 Bill Stires, Chapman University
- 2003 Dr. John Borba, Professor, California State University, Stanislaus
- 2002 Dr. Dennis C. Brennan, Associate Professor/Assistant Dean/Dept Chair, UOP

Valuing Diversity Award

- 2024 Claudia Camarena, Principal, Empire Elementary School – Empire Union SD
- 2023 Contessa Pelfrey, Superintendent, Jamestown SD
- 2022 No award given
- 2021 Kenneth Fitzgerald, Director of Student Programs, Patterson Joint USD
- 2020 Carla Washintgon, Principal, McKinley Elementary School, Tracy USD
- 2019 Sandra Villaseñor, Principal, Las Palmas Elementary, Patterson Joint USD
- 2018 Toney Henry, Principal Apricot Valley Elementary, Patterson Joint USD
- 2017 Ramona Soto-Barajas, Principal, South West Park School, Tracy USD
- 2015 Nancy Fox, Principal, Empire Elementary, Empire Union SD
- 2014 Elsa Gonzales, San Joaquin COE
- 2013 Martin Macias, Stanislaus COE
- 2012 Deborah Nickols, San Joaquin COE
- 2011 Jamie Mousalimas, San Joaquin COE
- 2010 Irma Bravo-Lawrence, Stanislaus COE
- 2009 None
- 2008 Daryl F. Camp, Principal, Bear Creek High School, Lodi USD
- 2007 Joseph D. Cook
- 2006 Helen Smith
- 2005 None
- 2004 Martin Peterson, SCOE
- 2003 Joe Galindo, Riverbank USD
- 2002 Robert Dittman, Principal, Empire Elementary, Empire Union SD
- 2001 Carol Anderson-Woo, Principal, South West Park School, Tracy USD

Partners in Educational Excellence

- 2024 The Historic Murphys Hotel – Mother Lode
- 2023 Legacy Health Endowment and EMC Health Foundation
- 2022 No award given
- 2021 Calaveras County Public Health
- 2020 Fisher Insurance Agency/The Horace Mann Companies, Stockton, CA
- 2019 Young’s Payless IGA, Copperopolis, CA
- 2018 No award given
- 2017 Right Turn Club - Mentor Lead Fitness, Kiwanis of Amador County
- 2016 Lodi Chamber of Commerce
- 2015 Tuolumne MiWuk Indian Health Center
- 2011 Kohl’s Department Store

2010 Kaiser Permanente
2009 MOCSE
2008 Sonora Sports and Fitness
2007 No award given
2006 No award given
2005 Give Every Child a Chance
2004 California Highway Patrol, Sonora
2003 Costco Depot, Tracy
2002 Angels-Murphys Rotary Club
2001 Tracy Industry Education Partnership/Tracy Chamber of Commerce
2000 Kiwanis Club, Tracy
1999 Soroptimist Int., of Manteca, Teen Crisis Counseling Program
1998 Stanislaus Partners in Education
1997 E & J Gallo Co, Modesto

Outstanding Media Coverage

2024 No award given
2023 No award given
2022 No award given
2021 No award given
2020 No award given
2019 No award given
2018 No award given
2017 No award given
2011 Roger Phillips, Stockton Record
2010 Modesto Bee
2009 KAT Country 103
2005 The Union Democrat
2004 Westside Index - Dean Harris
Calaveras Enterprise - Mike Taylor

Retired Administrator of the Year (Volunteer)

2024 Dan Park – Retired Principal, Modesto City Schools
2023 Barbara McCleskey, Retired Administrator, Patterson Jt. USD
2022 Cindy Murray, Retired Assistant Superintendent, Empire Union SD
2021 Dave Urquhart, Retired Superintendent, Tuolumne Charter
2020 Dee Dee Holcher, Retired, Ceres USD
2019 No award given
2018 Debbi Hopman
2017 No award given
2016 Howard Holtsman, Manteca USD
2015 Greg Clark, San Joaquin COE
2014 Kathy Scholl, San Joaquin COE
2013 Bill Parks
2012 Barbara Cortese, Retired, Riverbank USD

Robert E. Kelly Award (Retired Administrator)

2024 No award given
2023 No award given
2022 No award given
2021 No award given

2020 Virginia Berry, Retired Administrator, Salida Union SD
 2019 No award given
 2018 No award given
 2017 Dr. Robert Price, Retired Administrator, Empire Union SD
 2015 Jerry Panella, Retired Administrator, Ceres USD
 2014 Howard Holtsman, Retired Administrator, Manteca USD
 2013 No award given
 2012 No award given
 2011 Dennis Sigona, Retired Administrator
 2010 No award given
 2009 No award given
 2008 Terry Clark, Retired Principal, Sonora HS, Sonora Union HSD
 2007 Bea Lingenfelter, Retired Superintendent, Ceres USD
 2006 Dr. Frank Burke, Retired Administrator, Stanislaus COE
 2005 Dean Welin, Assistant Professor, Chapman University
 2004 No award given
 2003 Byron Gavrilis, Retired Administrator; Stanislaus Charter
 2002 Robert Eustis, Retired Administrator; Stockton USD
 2001 Dave Duran, Retired Assistant Superintendent, Stanislaus Charter
 2000 Tom Hawkins, Retired Superintendent, Jefferson SD, Tracy
 1999 Tod Anton, Retired Superintendent, Lincoln USD
 1998 Robert L. Lee, Retired Principal, Modesto City Schools
 1997 Edward H. Brasmer, Retired Principal, Manteca USD

Small/Rural Schools

2017 Anna Ellerson, Escalon USD

Bob Price Distinguished Service (formally called Distinguished Service Award)

2024 Nora Hana, Director II, Comprehensive Health Program, Mental Health Services
 – San Joaquin COE
 2023 Jeff Winfield, Superintendent, Soulsbyville SD
 2022 Mark Campbell, Superintendent, Calaveras USD
 2021 Dr. Amy Slavensky, Superintendent, Amador County USD
 2020 Scott Nanik, County Superintendent, Calaveras COE
 2019 Dr. Bob Price, Retired Superintendent
 2018 Heidi Lawler, Turlock USD
 2017 Claudia Vicino, Administrative Assistant, Empire Union SD
 2016 Christine Facella, Assistant Superintendent, Riverbank USD
 2015 Dr. Mary Jones, Retired Administrator, Ceres USD
 2014 Rick Bartkowski, Stanislaus COE
 2013 Dr. Gary Dei Rossi, Retired Deputy Superintendent, San Joaquin COE
 2011 None
 2012 Dr. Sonny DeMarto, Superintendent, Turlock USD
 2010 Pat Portwood, Modesto City Schools
 2009 None
 2008 Dr. Bob Price, Superintendent, Empire Union SD
 2007 Dr. Dennis Brennan, University of the Pacific
 2006 Rodney Owen, Modesto City Schools
 2005 John Brophy, Superintendent, Calaveras COE
 2004 Betty Finch, Region VII Consultant
 2003 Mike Raleigh, Supt/Principal, Belleview ESD

2002 Dave Urquhart, Assoc. Principal, Summerville HS
 2001 Robert E. Lee, Principal, Manteca USD
 2000 Bill Draa, Supt/Principal, Banta ESD
 1999 Elizabeth Finch, ACSA FSR
 Bob Price, Superintendent, Empire Union SD
 1998 Bob Wallace, Superintendent, Escalon USD
 Senator Patrick Johnston
 1997 No award given
 1996 Sal Cannella, Member of the CA Assembly, Susan Smith, Ex Dir. of the Grupe
 Foundation, Pat McGuire, Coord/Pupil Services, Turlock USD
 1995 No award given
 1994 No award given
 1993 No award given
 1992 No award given
 1991 No award given
 1990 Francine Gaspar, Larry Musial (San Joaquin), Betty Finch (Tuolumne), Don
 Shalvey (Lodi), Ken Arnold (Modesto)
 1984 John Muzio, Joe Anthony, Jamie Jameson, Marilyn Reinhart, Pat Howlett
 1982 Larry Musial, for serving as representative to Delegate Assembly
 1979 Ernie Azevedo, Principal, Modesto City, Frank Burke, CSUS, Tod Anton,
 Superintendent, Lincoln USD

Bill Ullom (Administrator of the Year)

2024 Mark Campbell, Superintendent - Calaveras Unified SD
 2023 Christine Facella, Superintendent, Riverbank Unified School District
 2022 Dr. Philip Alfano, Superintendent, Patterson Jt. USD
 2021 Dr. Scott Siegel, Superintendent, Ceres USD
 2020 Debra Hendricks, Superintendent, Sylvan Union SD
 2019 Tom Changnon, Retired Superintendent
 2018 Bob Lee, Retired Administrator
 2017 Mary Ann Sanders, Region 7 Consultant
 2016 Dr. Denise Wickham, Deputy Superintendent, Ceres USD
 2015 Twila Tosh, Superintendent, Salida Union SD
 2014 Ginger Johnson, Modesto City Schools
 2013 Dr. John Halverson, Superintendent, Sylvan Union SD
 2012 Joe Silva, Superintendent, Tuolumne COE
 2011 Bill Draa, Superintendent, Banta SD
 2010 David Holtz, Sylvan Union SD
 2009 Claudia Vicino, Administrative Assistant, Empire Union SD
 2008 Ed Quinn, Superintendent, Jefferson SD
 2007 John Pendley, Superintendent, Columbia SD
 2006 Dave Crocker
 2005 Rupert Asuncion, Retired Director of Student Services, Stockton USD
 2004 Tom Changnon, Superintendent, Keyes Union SD
 2003 Roger Francis, Program Director, Sonora UHSD
 2002 Dr. Robert Price, Superintendent, Empire Union SD
 2001 Dr. Fredrick A. Wentworth, County Superintendent, San Joaquin COE
 2000 Alex Winchester, Region VII Consultant
 1999 Harry Bakker, Assistant Superintendent, Stanislaus COE
 1998 Charles K. Obert, Superintendent, Salida Union SD
 1997 Michael W. Sibitz, Superintendent, Sylvan Union SD

1996 Patricia Busher, Principal, Cleveland School, Stockton USD
 1995 Jim Ellis, Principal, Claudia Landeen School, Lincoln USD
 1994 Keith Daniel, Superintendent, Patterson Joint USD
 1993
 1992 Don Brownell, Superintendent, Empire Union SD
 1991
 1990 Dick Thorsted, Superintendent, Summerville UHSD
 1989 Bruce Urban, Principal, Modesto City Schools
 1988 Martin Petersen, Superintendent, Waterford School District
 1987
 1986 Marv Stewart, Superintendent, Hughson USD
 1985 Jim Lorthridge, Superintendent, Stockton USD
 1984
 1983 Alpha Quincy, Mt. Diablo USD
 1982 Eleanor Cochran Stafford, Stockton USD
 1981 Tod Anton, Superintendent, Lincoln USD
 1980 John Muzio, Superintendent, Riverbank USD
 1979
 1978
 1977 Jim Russweig

Board Awards

High School Board, Unified School District

2024 Modesto City Schools Board of Trustees
 2019 Lammersville Unified School Board Trustees, Lammersville USD
 2018 Ceres Unified School District Board of Trustees

Elementary School Board, Unified School District

2019 Riverbank Unified Board of Trustees, Riverbank USD

Board Member, Secondary

2023 Steve Abercrombie, Board President, Tracy USD
 2021 Dennis Spisak, Board President, Summerville Union High SD
 2015 Gail Bunge, Bret Harte Union HSD
 2014 Joan Lark, Bret Harte Union HSD
 2012 Jeanie Smith, Sonora Union HSD

Board Member, Elementary

2023 Lori Carlson, Board Clerk, Turlock USD
 2022 Loretta Stein, Board President, Empire Union SD
 2021 Jeff Reed, Board President, Keyes Union SD
 2019 Carole Dovichi, Trustee, Empire Union SD
 2015 Laura Phelan, Columbia USD
 2014 Cathy Stone Carlson, Jamestown Elementary SD
 2013 Salida Union SD Board - Dennis Thompson; Catie Englebright; Ivan Wyeth, III;
 Gary Dew; & Virginia Berry
 2012 Empire Union SD Board - Carole Dovichi; Loretta Stein; Patricia Shafer; Stacie
 Morales; & Doug Bentley

Board Member, Unified School District

- 2020 Michele Bays, Patterson Joint USD
- 2019 Sherri Reusche, Trustee, Calaveras USD
- 2018 Barney Gordon, Turlock Unified SD
- 2015 Elizabeth Meza, Riverbank USD
- 2014 Al Cator, Escalon USD
- 2013 Frank Lima, Turlock USD
- 2012 John Largent, Escalon USD

Board Member, County Office of Education

- 2017 Kim Rose, Stanislaus COE
- 2015 Juliana Feriani, Tuolumne COE
- 2014 Steven E. Looper, Calaveras COE
- 2013 Stanislaus COE Board - Kim Rose; Kim Spina; Mary Ann Sanders; Luis Molina; & Merle Kronberg

Fred J. Kiesel Memorial Distinguished Service Award (State ACSA Award)

- 2012 Joseph Silva, Superintendent, Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools
- 2008 Dr. Bob Price, Superintendent, Empire Union SD
- 2006 Martin Petersen, County Superintendent, Stanislaus COE
- 2001 Dr. Frederick Wentworth, County Superintendent, San Joaquin COE
- 2000 Alex Winchester, Former Region VII Consultant

Marcus Foster Memorial Award for Administrator Excellence (State ACSA Award)

- 1997 Mike Sibitz, Superintendent, Sylvan Union SD

Robert E. Kelly Award (State ACSA Award)

- 2001 David Diaz Duran
- 2000 Alex Winchester, Retired Region 7 Consultant
- 1999 Tod Anton, Retired Superintendent, Lincoln USD

Partners in Educational Excellence (State ACSA Award)

- 1998 Stanislaus Partners in Education

State ACSA Awards

- 2023 Nate Diamantine, Assistant Principal, Patricia Kay Beaver Leadership Magnet, Ceres USD
- 2022 Angela Zeoli, Director I, Purchasing, Modesto City Schools
Wynette Hilton, Superintendent/Principal, Big Oak Flat Groveland USD
- 2021 Dr. Denise Wickham, Professor of Education, California State University, Stanislaus
Dr. Amy Peterman, Central Office Administrator, Ceres USD
Dave Urquhart, Retired Administrator, Tuolumne Charter
- 2020 Roberta Cheney, Confidential Employee of the Year, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, Turlock USD
Jose Sanchez, Continuation/Ed. Options Administrator, Principal, Del Puerto High School, Patterson Joint USD
- 2019 Dr. Scott Siegel, Professor of Education, California State University, Stanislaus
- 2018 Shane Hulin, Elementary Co-Administrator, Ceres Unified SD
- 2017 Deborah Rowe, Secondary Principal, Modesto City Schools
- 2016 Jan Gordon, Continuation/Educational Options, Ceres USD

- 2015 Jay Simmonds, Career Technical, Ceres USD
Linda Stubbs, Secondary Principal, Ceres USD
- 2012 Cheryl Domenichelli, Secondary Principal, Tracy USD
- 2010 Jan Kearns, Special Education, Executive Director, Tuolumne County SELPA
- 2009 Claudia Vicino, Confidential Employee, Administrative Asst., Empire Union SD
Scott Siegel, Business Services, Deputy Superintendent, Ceres USD
- 2008 Dr. Don Davis, Secondary Principal, Waterford USD
Dr. Mary Jones, Curriculum/Instruction, Ceres USD
- 2007 Linda Crocker, Elementary Co-Administrator, Associate Principal, Sonora ESD
Dr. Walt Hanline, Superintendent, Ceres USD
- 2006 Steve Betando, Human Resources, Assistant Superintendent, Stanislaus Union SD
Dr. Brenda Chapman, Central Office Administrator, Assistant Superintendent,
Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools
- 2005 Maryalice Alberg, Elementary Co-Administrator, Assistant Principal,
Turlock USD
Sheilah Goulart, Career Tech, Program Manager, San Joaquin COE
- 2004 Carl Toliver, Central Office, Deputy Superintendent, Stockton USD
- 2003 Dr. John Borba, Professor of Education, Stanislaus State
- 2002 Candace Blue, Career Tech Education, Program Director, San Joaquin COE
Connie Gundlach, Confidential Employee, Ceres USD
- 2001 Dr. Keith Edmonds, Adult Education, Administrator Adult Education, Modesto
City Schools
- 2000 Dean Shannon, Co-Administrator, Assistant Principal, Modesto City Schools
Pat McGuire, Pupil Personnel, Coordinator/Pupil Services, Turlock USD
Sandi Trucco, Confidential Employee, Personnel Analyst, Stockton USD
Betty Ingell, Special Education, Director Special Education, Manteca USD
- 1999 Dan Ocheltree, Co-Administrator, Assistant Principal, Manteca USD
Don Borges, Vocational Education, Program Manager, Stanislaus COE
Thomas Black, Pupil Personnel, Supervisor/CWA, Modesto City Schools
- 1998 Judie Piscitello, Vocational Education, Director of Career Education,
Stanislaus COE
Barbara McCleskey, Classified Manager, Administrative Assistant for Human
Resources, Patterson Jt. USD
- 1996 Gayle Asuncion, Central Office, Health Services Administrator, Stockton USD
Roger Francis, Co-Administrator, Assistant Principal, Sonora Union HSD
Sheilah Goulart, Confidential Employee, Administrative Secretary Manteca USD
Rodney Owen, Continuation/Ed Options, Principal, Modesto City Schools
Linda Frost, Secondary Principal, Manteca USD
Ellen Hancock, Superintendent/Principal, Jefferson SD
Karin Newlin, Elementary Principal, Tracy USD
Sharon Brenneise, Pupil Personnel, Director of Pupil Personnel Services,
Lincoln USD
- 1995 Rupert Asuncion, Secondary Principal, Stockton USD

Presidential Awards (given at Delegate Assemblies)

- 2021 Barbara Magpusao
- 2010 Barbara Cortese, Sheri Coburn
- 2009
- 2008
- 2007
- 2006

2005
2004 Mary Stires, Jane Johnston
2003 Rob Lee, Rodney Owen, John McKillip, Maria Serpa
2002 Rodney Owen, Dee Dee Holcher, Betty Finch, Dave Urquhart
2001 Ellen Hancock, Maria Serpa, Mike Raleigh, Carolyn Hutton, John Searles
2000 Claudia Vicino, Sheilah Goulart
1999
1998 Alex Winchester, Sheilah Goulart, Susan Richards, Kathy Boomer,
Special recognition to Larry Musial, Steve Betando
1997 Dennis Brennan, Betty Finch, Bob Lee, Larry Musial
1996 Andy Schindler, Larry Musial, Barbara McCleskey
1995 Bob Price

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2024 Aidan Flores-Lerman, Ustach Middle School, Sylvan Union SD
2023 Cayla Alvarez, Mountain House High School, Lammersville USD
2022 Blake Schroeder, Village Oaks High School, Lincoln USD
2021 Neomi Chavez, Lathrop High School, Manteca USD
2010
2009
2008
2007
2006
2005 Victor Neese, Sonora HS
2004
2003 Carrie Hay, Sonora USD
2002 Patrick Ward, Don Pedro?
2001 Tanya Sabin, Groveland
2000 Patrick Kelly, Summerville UHSD
1999 Tom Griffiths, Sonora USD
1998 Maria "Gabby" Reynoso, Salida Union SD
1997 Ilonka Inerbichler, Teel Middle School, Empire Union SD
1996 Angelica Griego

School to Career Recognition

1997 Gallo Winery

National Awards

2017 Scott Borba, National Distinguished Principal (NAESP) (California)
1993 Mary Ann Sanders, National Distinguished Principal (NAESP) (California)