

Ten things ACSA Has Done for You Lately...

'A most trusted voice concerning educational matters...'

- 1** Nineteen stellar ACSA members were recognized this year with Administrator of the Year Awards in their job-alikes, along with five other top education leaders in special awards categories. The award-recipients will be honored at the Leadership Summit, Nov. 5-7 in Sacramento.
- 2** The formation of ACSA's Assessment and Accountability Task Force by ACSA President Chuck Weis will help the association lead the way in reforming California's assessment and accountability system as the current Public Schools Accountability Act sunsets in 2011.
- 3** ACSA has endorsed former association president Larry Aceves for superintendent of public instruction in 2010 to ensure California's schools and students have an opportunity to be led by a lifelong educator and former superintendent.
- 4** ACSA has provided a strong voice of reason and concern over school intervention issues at the state and federal levels as a special session of the Legislature works to ensure eligibility for federal Race to the Top funding.
- 5** ACSA has worked to ensure Gov. Schwarzenegger signs Assembly Bill 429, Brownley, D-Santa Monica, which will ensure the development of a longitudinally valid assessment system for students in grades K-12.
- 6** A new mentoring program has been launched to move the ACSA Diversity Action Plan forward and provide a broad array of guidance, support, feedback, and shared operational/technical expertise to all ACSA members.
- 7** Alliances with key partners in management services continue to ensure additional professional development and district/individual member consultation services in the areas of school management, finance, collective bargaining, and program operations.
- 8** ACSA is actively opposing the confirmation of two State Board of Education seats on the grounds that an unfair majority of SBE members are associated with charter schools.
- 9** Professional Standards Advocates assisted more than 600 members with professional/legal concerns and made nearly 2,000 calls on their behalf in 2008-09. The top five issues were: reassignment/demotion/termination, contracts for superintendents and other administrators, staff friction, retirement/disability and evaluation. Contact a Professional Standards advocate at (800) 608-ACSA.
- 10** Online registration has begun with the 2009 Leadership Summit. This year's summit will be held in Sacramento, Nov. 5-7. Complete information about the Summit is located at www.acsa.org/leadershipsummit.

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The ACSA Vision

core values:

- Public Education – Strengthening of democracy through public education.
- Leadership – Belief in the importance of leadership and integrity.
- Service – Commitment to supporting administrators and serving students.
- Unity and Diversity – Belief in inclusiveness and unified purpose.
- Continuous Improvement – Always striving to be better and causing positive change.
- Enjoyment – Enjoyment in working together and celebrating the profession.

core purpose:

To preserve and improve the quality of life through public education.

our huge goal:

To be the most influential, respected student-focused and service-oriented educational association in existence.

vivid description:

ACSA will be well known for being the most dominant influence on public education in California and throughout the nation. Advancement of the interests, needs and well-being of California students will be the hallmark of ACSA action. ACSA will advocate for California schools to be once again the best in the nation, and the envy of schools worldwide.

ACSA will seek positive alliances with all major educational associations and serve as a catalyst, unifying all interested persons in our educational systems. ACSA will drive the implementation of a comprehensive master plan and appropriate funding for public education. ACSA will be a primary and most trusted resource to California's governor and Legislature concerning educational matters through a united voice.

Ninety percent of all school administrators will belong to ACSA, and its membership will be regarded as virtually indispensable. ACSA will cultivate and mentor California's administrative leaders, and be the primary provider of their professional development and networking opportunities. ACSA will utilize state of the art technology. Benefits and resources will be available to members any time, and in a variety of formats. ACSA communication networks will provide instantaneous dissemination of reliable, in-depth information. ACSA member services and benefits will be consistently outstanding.