



REPORTER

REGION XI's 2012 ADMINISTRATORS OF THE YEAR



Dr. Kevin Silberberg
Superintendent



Frank Silveira
Secondary Principal



Susan Richardson
Middle Grades Principal



Ruscel Reader
Elementary Principal



Thomas Addington
*Central Office
Administrator*



Jeff Kasinger
*Secondary
Co-Administrator*



Melinda Gosvener
*Elementary
Co-Administrator*



John Rodriguez
Classified Leader



Marlene Moreno
Confidential Employee



Philip Pierschbacher
*Personnel/
Human Resources*



Jennifer Reimer
Special Education



John Manning
*Superintendent/
Principal*



**Elaine
Wunderlich-Janson**
Business Services



Pam Bianchi
Curriculum & Instruction



Tony Casares
Continuation Education

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Presidents Message



"Advocates for children"- Those three words are on every business card held by employees of the Kern County Superintendent of Schools Office. Although we do not need to be reminded of that fact, it is nice to be reminded and it is important

because all people who receive those cards know exactly where we stand. As ACSA Region XI president I have been blessed to work with a group of educators who remind me of this regularly through action more than through words. It is part of our groups being.

You may ask how I can state this with such certainty. I have been able to work with many board members and visited several charters and am awed at the dedication and hard work by members to push education in a positive direction. As busy as all these professionals are with their "paid" jobs they still find time to participate with ACSA events and contribute through additional ACSA responsibilities. This is even more impressive considering the budget cutbacks which have made it necessary for California administrators to take on additional duties due to the loss of former coworkers.

Through all this, my ACSA colleagues do what is necessary to continue the advocacy. Whether it is job-alike visitations, general visitations, legislative policy input, and legislative action or doing what is necessary to put on a regional conference, planning retreat, etc., these coordinating leaders always seem to give their maximum effort to ensure they are of the highest caliber. They work in the background and many who benefit do not realize how it all comes to fruition. I am taking this moment to thank all those "ghosts" who make things happen. Thank you for all your help in making continued advocacy for children a reality.

Jose Morales
President

Region XI Membership Scoreboard

Charter	May 2011	May 2012	(+/-)
East Kern	58	63	(+5)
West Kern	321	313	(-8)
Kings	105	100	(-5)
Tulare	327	319	(-8)
Inyo/Mono	19	18	(-1)
CSUB Student	7	6	(-1)
Non-Assigned	15	12	(-3)
TOTALS	852	831	(21)

"WHAT THEY SAID"

"I am committed to ACSA's mission. I've visited eleven regions the last two months. I have the organizational experience. Yes, I have my own ideas and will represent you with Honor."

Randy Delling, *Candidate for State*
ACSA Vice President
(Region XI Delegate Assembly, Bakersfield,
May 4, 2012)

"You will soon hear some incredible powerful stories. This is one of the most rewarding days of the school year for me as we recognize some very special ESS students."

Dr. Jeremy Powell, *Chairperson, Ess Program*
(Tulare County Charter's Annual ESS Breakfast,
Visalia, April 27, 2012)

"ACSA's Cabinet and staff are working at their accustomed exceptional pace to ensure a smooth transition."

Karen Stapf Walters, *ACSA Interim Executive Director*

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REGION XI 2012 AWARDS



**Marcus Foster Memorial
Administrator Excellence**
Dr. Carolyn Kehrli
Superintendent
Cutler-Orosi Joint USD



**Every Student Succeeding
Ala Tia Tia**
Senior
Sherman E. Burroughs High School
Sierra Sands USD



Valuing Diversity
Ruscel Reader
Principal
Cesar Chavez Elementary School
Bakersfield City School Dist.

COMMENTS FROM YOUR REGION XI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Congratulations to Jose Morales on a successful year as Region 11 President. Membership grew, networking among members increased, the Inyo/Mono charter was reestablished, a partnership with CUE was established in putting on the Region Conference, strategies were explored and established to communicate electronically and to go paperless, and when and how we meet was studied. Jose has laid a sound foundation for our new President Kirsti Smith.

Your Executive Board and Region Board held their annual planning retreat in Lemoore on June 18 and 19. The theme was "I Dream, I Empower, I Lead for a Brighter Future." David Gomez, A.C.S.A State President, spoke to your region leaders on Tuesday. He shared his thoughts on the future A.C.S.A. direction, plans for this year, changes in leadership, goals to make the organization relevant to school leaders as well as increase membership and bring our voice to the legislature. Your professional organization is in good hands.

Kirsti Smith lead your region leaders through a variety of discussion topics and activities that has resulted in a well planned year, new goals, a restructured meeting calendar, and a more interactive meeting format. Charters will be encouraged to establish Legislative Action Days in their Charter to complement the state A.C.S.A Leg. Action Day in Sacramento. There will be

three Region Delegate Assemblies instead of two to provide a opportunity for more Region A.C.S.A members to voice their opinions regarding critical issues facing school administrators and educating students. Two Board Meetings will be Tele Conferences in order to decrease time away from work for your Region Leaders and to decrease cost. The Region Conference will again be in partnership with C.U.E. with and educational technology focus. Mark your calendar, it is Saturday, October 20, in Bakersfield at C.S.U. Bakersfield

There are two openings on the Region Board and State Councils/ Committees as a result of a retirement and resignation. If you are interested in serving on the State Superintendents Council or State Membership Committee, please email me. Region 11 superintendents who are A.C.S.A members will elect our representative for the Superintendents Council and Kirsti will appoint the Membership Representative.

Support our educational leaders, Ensure all students have the essential skills and knowledge needed to excel and champion public education, Champion public education, and Build membership are Region 11's goals for the year. We need your involvement, voice and support to make these things happen. Please email me at davidto02@comcast.net or call me at 559 280 6228 if I can assist you in any way or if you have something you would like to share.

David Tonini
Executive Director - Region XI

TULARE CHARTER RECOGNIZES ESS RECIPIENTS

The Tulare County Charter ACSA conducted its Annual "Every Student Succeeding" Breakfast at the Visalia Unified School Districts Board Room on April 27, 2012.

"You will soon hear some incredible powerful stories. This is one of the most rewarding days of the school year for me as we recognize some very special ESS students," Dr. Jeremy Powell said in his opening remarks. Powell, Principal, Bartlett Middle School, Porterville Unified School District, once again chaired this special charter event.

22 students, along with their school counselors and/or their school administrators, shared their ESS life stories about their struggles, challenges, obstacles and hurdles they have faced.

Their road to success of being recognized and honored by ACSA is an amazing and special story. These particular students set goals, participated in a variety of school activities and served their communities in many different roles.

Some of the comments made in the presentations included:

"She overcame so much."

"Outstanding contributor to our campus."

"Truly an amazing person as she met great challenges."

"She has a caring spirit."

"Served as an inspiration for our staff."

"She is a Model Student."

"He has been an inspirational student and peer counselor. He reminds us everyday why we are here."

Recipient	High School
1. Jordan Ormonde	El Diamante High School
2. Tyisha Hughes	Countryside High School
3. Karen Jimenez	Exeter High School
4. Ashley Vega	Exeter Kaweah School
5. Clarissa Valencia	Farmersville High School
6. Rose Valencia	Farmersville High School
7. Billie Sue Molaison	Golden West High School
8. Ernestina Quintero	Granite Hills High School
9. Diana Ramos	Harmony Magnet Academy
10. Oscar Servin	Lindsay High School
11. Spencer Serrano	Mission Oak High School
12. Andrew Velasquez	Monache High School
13. Stephan Watkins	Mt. Whitney High School
14. Sumla Martinez	Orosi High School
15. Dustin Martin	Porterville High School
16. Karina Baretto-Delgado	Redwood High School
17. Marclina Alvarado	Sequoia Continuation HS
18. Payo Carranza	Sierra Vista High School
19. Crystal Edwards	Strathmore High School
20. Xavier Stephens	Tulare Union High School
21. Madison Pena	Tulare Western High School
22. Cheri Jo Smith-Charter Winner	Woodlake High School
Not in attendance Jose Aldaco	Citrus High School



Cheri Jo Smith,
Woodlake High School,
was recognized as
Tulare Charter ACSA 2012
ESS Winner

CHARTER LEADERS



Lisa Horne Outgoing President and Heiko Sweeney, President for the 2012-2013 school year.

The charter held its annual Election and End of the Year Awards Program at Steve Bogan's Grove on May 11th, 2012



Region XI Charter Presidents...2011-2012

Steve Tsuboi (Tulare), Clara Finneran (East Kern), Rich Boccia (Inyo/Mono), Lisa Horne (Kings), Matt Diggie (West Kern) standing in for Deanna Clarke.

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WEST KERN CHARTER ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

Recognizing "The Best of the Best"

Rio Bravo Country Club, Bakersfield.... June 6th, 2012, 6:00 p.m.

Master of Ceremonies..... *Terry Wolfe*
 Scholarship *Presented by Gerrie Kincaid*

Dominic Carlson, Garces High School

Emily Lopez, Liberty High School

Gabrielle Strasser, Garces High School

Media Award *Presented by Gerrie Kincaid*
 Peggy Dewane-Pope

Golden Apple Awards

Co-Winner:

Chevron North America Exploration and Production

Presented by Dr. Christine Lizardi

San Joaquin Business Unit

Co-Winner: Adam Alvidrez *Presented by Dr. Mary Westendorf*

Honored Retiree Recipients

Gwen Nielsen

Presented by Terry Wolfe

Jerry Scott

Presented by Jamie Henderson

Mark Fulmer

Presented by Bud Burrow

Cheryl McConaughy

Presented by Rick Robles

Carl Olsen

Presented by Mark Westendorf

Terry Wolfe

Presented by David Bowling

Ruscel Reader

Presented by Dr. Tim Fulenwider

Charter Award Recipients

Confidential Employee..... *Presented by Carl Olsen*
 Gail Istre, Fruitvale School District

Classified Administrator..... *Presented by Cheryl McConaughy*
 Dave Beckman, Lamont School District

Adult Education Administrator..... *Presented by Mike Sulfa*
 Jodi Loeffler, Kern High School District

Career Technical Ed. Administrator *Presented by Mike Sulfa*
 Jeanie Brachear, Administrator Kern High SD

Central Office Administrator *Presented by Kip Herron*
 Gerrie Kincaid, Panama Buena Vista Union SD

Continuation/Education Options Administrator *Presented by Blanca Cavazos*

Jeanne Hughes, Kern County Superintendent of School

Curriculum and Instruction Administrator *Presented by Kip Herron*
 Pam Bianchi, Panama Buena Vista Union SD

Elementary Principal *Presented by Tim Fulenwider*
 Ruscel Reader, Bakersfield City School District

Middle Grades Principal *Presented by Carl Olsen*
 Susan Richardson, Fruitvale School District

Professor of Education *Presented by Jill Hamilton-Bunch*
 Carrie Jager, Fruitvale School District

Secondary Co-Administrator *Presented by Rick Robles*
 Jeff Kasinger, Lamont School District

Elementary Co-Administrator..... *Presented by Danyel Kelly*
 Kim Carlson, Fruitvale School District

Secondary Principal *Presented by Mike Sulfa*
 David Reese, Kern High School District

Special Education Administrator *Presented by Blanca Cavazos*
 Julie Gaines, Kern County Superintendent of Schools

Business Services Administrator *Presented by Blanca Cavazos*
 John Von Flue, Kern County Superintendent of Schools

Pupil Personnel Administration *Presented by Mike Sulfa*
 Otis Jennings, Kern High School District

Superintendent..... *Presented by Glynda Martin*
 Kevin Silberberg, Standard School District

Valuing Diversity Award *Presented by Blanca Cavazos*
 Ruscel Reader, Bakersfield City School District

Educational Leadership Award *Presented by Ruscel Reader & Rick Robles*

Cheryl McConaughy, Lamont School District

Induction of Officers..... *Presented by Dr. Christine Frazier*

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RETIREES



Jim Vidak, Tulare County Superintendent of Schools, gave special recognition to two members of his leadership team as they are retiring after successful careers as administrators in the Tulare County Office of Education.

Dr. Pansy Ceballos, TCOE assistant superintendent of Instructional Services (left) and Jeanne Nava, TCOE Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, have been very supportive of ACSA.

Editors Note:

Dr. Marilyn Rankin, TCOE Assistant Superintendent of Special Services, is also retiring, but was not able to attend the Recognition Dinner at White Horse Inn, Three Rivers on May 4, 2012.

Renee Whitson, Superintendent, Exeter Public Schools, was recognized and present at the awards dinner. However we were not able to get her picture. We are sorry for that mix-up.

Tulare County Charter's 41st Annual Recognition Dinner

RETIREES



Paul Rogers, Asst. Superintendent of Educational Services, Dinuba Unified(right) has served for over 35 years. Joe Hernandez, Superintendent, Dinuba Unified made the presentation



Janet Kliegl, Superintendent, Lindsay Unified, has been in this leadership position since 1998. She has been very active in ACSA for many years. Andrew Bukosky made the presentation.

Tulare County Charter ACSA 2012 Golden Apple Recipients

- Sandi Totty *Nominated by Exeter Public Schools*
- Diana Lucas *Nominated by Exeter Union Elementary School District*
- Tony Taylor *Nominated by Tulare Joint Union High School*
- Flora Johnson *Nominated by Tulare City School District*
- Valentin Quevedo *Nominated by Cutler-Orosi Joint USD*



Sandra Williams, Confidential Secretary, Cutler-Orosi USD since 2001. Craig Drennan, Assistant Superintendent made the presentation.

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Troy Barnhart - Lemoore High School
Zachary Bell - Burroughs High School
Bryce Bowers - Central Valley Christian
Stephen Dichiera - Redwood High School
Emily Lopez - Frontier High School
Quinn Nunes - Tulare High School
Spencer Pierschbacher - Tulare Western High School
Gabrielle Strasser - Graces Memorial High School

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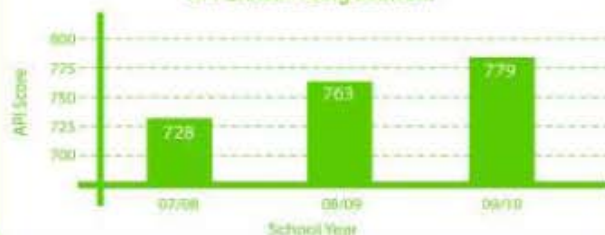
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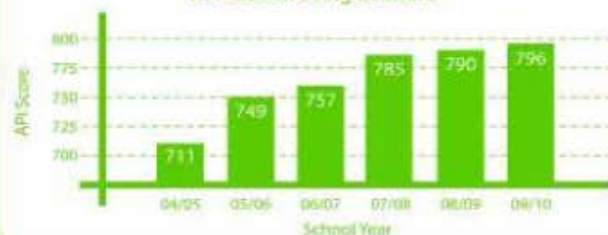
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KINGS COUNTY ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE

September 27, 2012 (4:30 pm -7:30 pm)
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Theme: "We Will Survive"
Cost ...\$20.00 per person

ACSA'S 2012 LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

November 8-10, 2012
Sheraton San Diego Hotel and Marina
Theme: Dream-Empower-Lead....
For A Brighter Future

REGION XI ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE

Focus on Technology

Date: Sat., October 20, 2012

Location: SCU, Bakersfield, CA

Contact: Blancka Cavazos,
Region XI Vice President

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ACSA ACADEMIES FOR 2012-2013

July 2012

16 - 20

Categorical Programs
(SUMMER) - Fairfield

28 - 29

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Curriculum & Instruction - Redding

Personnel - Tustin

Principals - Concord

School Business - Lodi

Special Education - Alhambra

Superintendents - Burlingame

August 2012

3 - 4

17-18

Categorical Programs - Ontario

Categorical Programs
(FALL) - Fairfield

October 2012

5 - 6

5 - 6

5 - 6

12 - 13

12 - 13

12 - 13

19 - 20

19 - 20

Curriculum & Instruction - Redondo Beach

Personnel - Azusa

Personnel - Danville

Personnel - Burlingame

Personnel - Ontario

Pupil Services - Ontario

Personnel - Stockton

Superintendents - Whittier

September 2012

7 - 8

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Special Education - Sacramento

Superintendents - Oxnard

Curriculum & Instruction - Atwater

Superintendents - Fresno

Superintendents - Oceanside

Curriculum & Instruction - Carmichael

School Business - Riverside

Special Education - North Hills

Curriculum & Instruction - Placentia

November 2012

16 - 17

16 - 17

Charter School Leaders - Sacramento

Principals - Ontario