ACSA Region 6 wishes you a wonderful holiday season and a happy new year! Thank you for your remarkable leadership and service in a remarkable year.



December 15, 2020

An Exciting 2021 Coming!



January 2021 is Region 6's "Random ACSA Kindness" Month

Let's get 2021 off to a great start! We are inviting our charters and members to participate in our regions's "Random ACSA Kindness" Month in January. We hope this will help to open the new year with positivity as we continue to support each other in turning the corner during this remarkable time.

Some time in January, all of our members will be receiving an ACSA mask as Region 6's token of appreciation. While this will not be a "random" act, the masks will be delivered to Charter Presidents for dissemination and retiree members will receive theirs in the mail if they have responded to <u>Rose Lock</u>.

During the month, we will be practicing random acts of kindness throughout our region and encourage you to do the same in your charter and/or district.

We have asked Charter Presidents to share their ideas and plans in celebrating "Random ACSA Kindness" month. Post stories and photos on Twitter and Facebook using **#RandomACSAKindness** and tag @ ACSARegion6. Don't be left out, follow us on Twitter and Facebook!



MARK Your Calendar For the New Year!

Administrators of the Year. Nominations from Charters are due on Thursday, January 14. All nominations to the Region must be submitted by Charter Presidents via the online platform. Check on timeline with your Charter. General questions about AOY Program should be addressed to Pam Hughes, Vice President of Programs. You can find all details on the ACSA website. The 2021 AOY Awards Celebration will again be held virtually, tentatively scheduled for April 29.

NEW Co-Administrators Network. Coming in January! This is a great opportunity for our coadministrators to come together with peers across our region to learn and engage in conversations. Non-ACSA co-administrators are welcome. These networking sessions promise to decompress and bring some fun at the end of your work day! We have invited Dr. Joelle Hood to help us launch this network on January 26 from 3:30 to 5:00 pm on Zoom. Dr. Hood recently spoke at the ACSA Leadership Summit and her work focuses on research-based practices in mindfulness, belonging & connections, emotional intelligence, leadership, psychology & well-being, etc.

Winter Women's Leadership Networking Event. First networking event is coming in February! Tentative guest will be Dr. Trudy Arriaga, co-author of "Leading While Female."

Every Student Succeeding. Charter nominations are due to Region 6 on **February 26**. <u>Click here</u> for nomination information.

Bob Blackburn Student Scholarships. These \$1000 scholarships are awarded to children of our members who are graduating high school seniors. Applications are due **February 26**. <u>Click here</u> for information and application.

Region 6 Mini-Grants. These grants of up to \$1000 are awarded to Region 6 ACSA members. Applications are due **February 26**. <u>Click here</u> for information and application.

Third Annual Region 6 Equity Symposium. This event will be held virtually on Saturday, March 6, 2021.

Scholarships and Mini-Grants Awards Luncheon. This event will be held virtually this year, tentatively scheduled for April 29, 2021.

Leadership Summit - Thriving off the Vine: Remarkable Leaders, Remarkable Times. With conditions still uncertain this coming spring, Region 6 will not be holding an in-person annual conference but will continue to hold high quality profession learning activities virtually through the end of June. In addition to the Co-Administrators Network, Women's Leadership Network, and the Equity Symposium, the following workshop has been scheduled:

5 Key Principles for Quality Distance Learning March 16, 2021 from 3:30 to 4:30 pm Presenters: Christen Northrop and Julie Dooley, Contra Costa COE

Look for Region 6 announcements for registration information.

ACSA Leadership

Interested in getting more involved in ACSA or taking a leadership role in Region 6? We are seeking nominees for the following elected positions:

- Secretary, 2-year term
- Treasurer, 3-year term
- Vice President of Staff Development, 2-year term
- Vice President of Programs, 2-year term
- President-Elect, 3-year term (President-Elect, President, Past President)
- Region 6 Representative to ACSA state Board of Directors, 3-year term

• Two at-large representatives on Executive Committee, 2-year term

The duties for these positions are listed under the Region 6 By-Laws on our website.

We are also seeking nominees for the following appointed positions to various State ACSA Councils or Committees. Information can be found on the ACSA website at https://www.acsa.org/About-Us/committees-councils.

The following Council and Committee positions representing Region 6 are for 3-year terms:

- Middle Grades Council
- Retiree Committee

We are also looking to fill the 1-year position of At-Large Delegate to State ACSA Leadership Assembly. More information can be found in ACSA Bylaws, Article IV about <u>Leadership Assembly</u>.

These are great opportunities to see how our State organization operates and influences the public education landscape as well as network with other ACSA leaders in the state.

If you are interested in any of these positions or have questions, please contact<u>Pam VandeKamp</u>, Nominating Committee Chair or <u>Rose Lock</u>, Region 6 Executive.



<u>Contact Us</u> We welcome your feedback and suggestions.

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"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." - Nelson Mandela