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| **region 6**

ACSA ADMINISTRATORS OF THE YEAR 2025 Region 6 Nominees & Winners

Superintendent

Crystal Castaneda, Byron ESD (Region 6 Winner)

Alysse Castro, Alameda COE

Secondary Principal

Demetrius Ball, San Ramon Valley USD (Region 6 Winner)

Maite Barloga, San Leandro USD

Kesha Emmendorfer, Martinez USD

Jenaver Goodman, Alameda COE

Alexis Meron, San Lorenzo USD

Roxana Mohammed, Livermore USD

Amy Perez, Fremont USD

Finy Prak, West Contra Costa USD

Kirstin Snyder, Alameda USD

Middle Grades Principal

Ramon Camacho, New Haven USD

Russell Campisi, Pleasanton USD

Vanessa Fortney, Pittsburg USD

Sandy Kontilis, San Ramon Valley USD

Jason Law, Walnut Creek ESD

Eric Peterson, West Contra Costa USD

Sherry Strausbaugh, Fremont USD (Region 6 Winner)

Erik Taylor, Livermore USD

Elementary Principal

Lynette Chirrick, Alameda USD

Roxane Jablonski-Liu, Oakley Union ESD

Kathy LaCome, San Lorenzo USD

Lisa MacLean, Castro Valley USD

Ryan Maloney, San Ramon Valley USD

Tamekia McCauley, Mt. Diablo USD

Lauren McGovern, Dublin USD

Valerie Nebo, Livermore USD

Taylor Parham, West Contra Costa USD

Amy Romem, Walnut Creek ESD

Paulette Smith, San Leandro USD (Region 6 Winner)

Sherea Westra, Fremont USD

Central Office Administrator

Chip Dehnert, Dublin USD

Erin DeMartini, Mt. Diablo USD

Monica Dennis, Alameda COE

Christine Hatcher, West Contra Costa USD

Hong Nguyen, San Ramon Valley USD (Region 6 Winner)

Leonor Rebosura, Newark USD

Elie Wasser, Fremont USD

Kirsten Zazo, Alameda USD

Secondary Co-Administrator

Craig Bocks, San Ramon Valley USD

Erin Cicatelli, San Ramon Valley USD

Alicia Elbert, New Haven USD

Merrill Grimmer, Fremont USD

David Martinez, Livermore Valley JUSD (Region 6 Winner)

Samir Noor, Liberty Union HSD

Kathleen Stacy, Castro Valley USD

Abbey Wheeler, Brentwood Union SD

Elementary Co-Administrator

Jeremy Vilkins, Livermore Valley JUSD (Region 6 Winner)

Blaire Wyatt Mintz, San Ramon Valley USD

Marylou Young, San Ramon Valley USD

Classified Leader

Rebecca Ward, Acalanes UHSD

Personnel Human Resources Administrator

Matthew Chamberlain, Pittsburg USD (Region 6 Winner)

Adult Education Administrator

Joy Chua, Alameda USD

Heidi McFadden, Fremont USD (Region 6 Winner)

Sara Walke, Livermore Valley JUSD

Career Technical Administrator

Bill Branca, Dublin USD

Hilary Dito, Contra Costa COE (Region 6 Co-Winner)

Amos Nugent, Pleasanton USD (Region 6 Co-Winner)

Special Education Administrator

Angie Kojrekar, San Ramon Valley USD

Veronica Polk, Knightsen ESD (Region 6 Winner)

Julie Venuto, Alameda USD

Business Services Administrator

Suzanne Lefebvre, West Contra Costa USD

Rianne Pfaltzgraff, Oakley Union ESD (Region 6 Winner)

Student Services Administrator

Stacey Bamford, Fremont USD

Maria Bordanaro, Oakley Union ESD

James Parrish, San Leandro USD

Felicia Stuckey Smith, Mt Diablo USD (Region 6 Winner)

Curriculum & Instruction Administrator

Sonja Bell, West Contra Costa USD

Carla Estrada-Hidalgo, Livermore Valley JUSD

Kimberly Noble, San Lorenzo USD (Region 6 Winner)

Christopher Reddam, Moraga SD

Affie Sklut, Castro Valley USD

Sheri Sweeney, Dublin USD

Continuation/Ed Options Administrator

Rachel Hancock, Liberty UHSD

Sheila Jemo, Fremont USD (Region 6 Winner)

Courtney Lyon, Mt Diablo USD

Steve Martin, Livermore Valley JUSD

Technology Administrator

Kelly Hilton, San Ramon Valley USD (Region 6 Winner)

Jr. Yee, Pleasanton USD

Valuing Diversity Award

Chaunise Powell, Alameda COE (Region 6 Winner)

Heidi Deeringhoff, Pleasanton USD

Partners in Educational Excellence Award

Union City Family Center, New Haven USD (Region 6 Winner)

(State Awards, winner to be selected by state ACSA)

Marcus Foster Memorial Award

Kirstin Snyder, Alameda USD

Ferd Kiesel Distinguished Service Award

Katherine Crawford, Alameda USD

****Region winners are now finalists in their category for state ACSA Administrators of the Year. State winners will be announced at the end of March and recognized at the annual Leadership Summit in November in San Francisco.***

SAVE THE DATE: Region 6 will be celebrating all of these administrators on Thursday, April 17, 2025 at the San Ramon Marriott.

January 31, 2025