

Building Trustee Excellence: LCAP Training

March 5, 2026 12 - 1 PM

ACCBE - For County Boards by County Boards

Please introduce yourself in the chat - Name, County, Role (e.g., Trustee, Superintendent, President)

AGENDA

Welcome and ACCBE Overview 5 minutes

Jennifer Hicks

Associate Superintendent of Educational Services, Placer COE

Leslie Wriston

45 minutes

Director of Continuous Improvement and Support, Placer COE

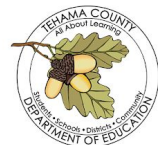
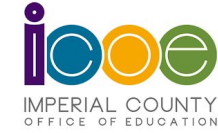
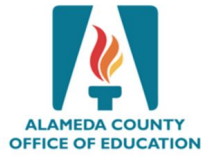
Q & A Session

5 minutes

Wrap Up/Evaluation

5 minutes

45 members strong!



ACCBE: BY COUNTY BOARDS FOR COUNTY BOARDS

Mission: ACCBE empowers County Board Members to be confident advocates for all students.

Vision: ACCBE, as the leading voice for California's County Boards of Education, improves outcomes for students, families and communities.

ACCBE KEY GOALS



Advocate & Amplify: ACCBE is solely dedicated to develop and advocate on legislative and policy issues for county boards of education, ensuring a unified and strong voice representing the unique interest of County Boards on issues impacting County Offices of Education.



Partnerships for Success: ACCBE is committed to building a strong partnership with the California Superintendents Association, and coalitions with other allied groups to leverage resources and expertise in support of student success.



Engage, Elevate, & Empower: ACCBE builds leadership capacity within County Boards, fostering collaboration and peer support.



Forward-Looking: ACCBE focuses on innovation solutions to address the evolving challenges/changes in education.

Jennifer Hicks

Associate Superintendent of Educational Services



Jennifer is an experienced educational administrator who is passionate about helping schools and leaders thrive. She brings extensive expertise in professional development, strategic planning, administrator coaching, project management, budgeting, and building strong community partnerships. Jennifer is committed to supporting educators at every level—strengthening instructional practice, improving systems, and guiding new teachers as they grow.

Her background includes deep experience in service learning, language arts instruction, Common Core implementation, instructional strategies, and designing high-impact professional development. She has also led beginning-teacher support initiatives and contributed to the development and implementation of credential programs.

Leslie Wriston

Director of Continuous Improvement and Support



Leslie serves as the Director of Continuous Improvement and Support for the Placer County Office of Education, partnering with districts and schools to strengthen systems that center meaningful data, equity, and research-based practices. Her work includes supporting LCAP development and approval, guiding state and federal program implementation, and helping teams build coherent improvement systems that lead to better outcomes for students.

Leslie brings 24 years of experience as a primary teacher, English Language Development Specialist, Teacher on Special Assignment, English Learner Program Specialist, and adjunct professor teaching instruction, theory, and assessment for English Learners. These experiences shaped her belief that effective systems start with strong instruction and clear supports for educators.

ACCBE's Knowledge To Action

Regional In-Person 1.5 Day Conferences



Upcoming Events

Southern California - Riverside COE - Riverside - April 10 - 11, 2026

ACCBE Registration to offset food and conference expenses:

\$99 for a County Board of Education's 1st attendee

\$79 for the 2nd attendee

\$59 for the 3rd attendee

FREE for the 4th attendee

\$59 for each additional attendee

Pricing applies for attendees from the same ACCBE Member County BOE

Non-ACCBE Member Registration Fee - \$200 each attendee

Register at EventBrite:

[Southern CA - Riverside -
Riverside COE](#)

[Northern CA - Ukiah -
Mendocino COE](#)

The Mission Inn is recommended, but no room block or special conference rate has been arranged

Register at Eventbrite: [ACCBE Knowledge To Action Regional Conference - Southern CA](#)

Who Should Attend?

All County Board of Education Members, Student Board Representatives and Superintendents.

These events are designed to help you connect, learn, and lead with impact.

Trustees are invited to attend any or all three conferences

Upcoming Trainings - February and March

- April 23, 2026, 7 PM, **Special Topic: Literacy in Action.** Presenters, Becky Sullivan, Director, Sacramento County Office of Education and April Javist, Executive Director, The Sacramento Literacy Foundation
- April 28, 2026, 7 PM, **Special Topic: County Board Role in Building Whole Child Supports.** Presenters: Elizabeth Estes, Esq., Founder & Director, Breaking Barriers California and Diana Boyer, Managing Director of Research and Policy Development, California Welfare Directors Association.
- May 6, 2026, 12-1 PM **Building Trustee Excellence: COE Budgets.** Presenter Misty Key, Deputy Superintendent, Ventura County Office of Education

Register on the **EVENTS** Page at [ACCBE.org](https://accbe.org)

