



# Press Release

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## **Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) Announces Region VII Award Winners**

At the ACSA (Association of California School Administrators) Region VII Spring Conference April 29 through May 1, 2016 in South Lake Tahoe, California, 20 local educational leaders are slated to be recognized for their outstanding accomplishments. The award winners come from all over the region, including Amador, Calaveras, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Tuolumne counties. The award committee selected the winners from a group of candidates nominated by their peers. A special evening awards ceremony will be held in their honor on Friday, April 29, where each winner will receive an engraved award. Master of Ceremonies and Awards Committee co-chairs Kim Ott and Kathleen Gonsalves are slated to present the awards.

The following list includes all of the regional award winners:

**Superintendent Administrator of the Year**

David Garcia  
Empire Union School District

**Secondary Principal Administrator of the Year**

Michael Merrill  
Calaveras High School

**Middle Grades Principal Administrator of the Year**

C.W. Smith  
Norman N. Glick Middle School  
Empire Union School District

**Elementary Principal Administrator of the Year**

Tierra Crothers  
San Andreas Elementary

**Central Office Administrator of the Year**

Scott Kuykendall  
Assistant Superintendent, Educational Options  
SCOE

**Secondary Co-Administrator of the Year**

Greg Leland  
Vice Principal  
Sierra High School, Manteca Unified

**Elementary Co-Administrator of the Year**

Janet Hamby  
Vice Principal  
Fair Oaks Elementary, Oakdale JUSD

**Classified Leader Administrator of the Year**

Elizabeth Rico  
Director, Business Advisory Services  
Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools

**Confidential Employee Administrator of the Year**

Janai Stanton  
Coordinator of Administrative Services  
San Joaquin County Office of Education

**Personnel/Human Resources Administrator of the Year**

Barbara Tanner  
Division Administrator Human Resources  
SCOE

**Adult Education Administrator of the Year**

Isaias Rumayor, Jr.  
Principal  
Turlock Adult School, TUSD

**Special Education Administrator of the Year**

Karen Young  
Director of Student Services and Special Education  
Riverbank Unified School District

**Superintendent/Principal of the Year**

Don Ogden  
Principal/Superintendent  
Vallecito Union School District

**Business Services Administrator of the Year**

Yvonne Perez  
Assistant Superintendent, Business Services  
Sylvan Union School District

**Continuation/Educational Options Administrator of the Year**

Jan Gordon  
Principal  
Argus/Endeavor Continuation High School

**Retired Administrator of the Year**

Howard Holtsman

**Technology Administrator of the Year**

Chris Hagle  
Director of Information Technology Services  
Ceres Unified School District

**Bill Ullom Memorial Award**

Denise Wickham, Ed.D.  
Deputy Superintendent, Personnel Services  
Ceres Unified School District

**Partners in Educational Excellence Award**

Lodi Chamber of Commerce  
Lodi, CA

**Distinguished Service Award**

Christine Facella

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