



CHAIR REPORT

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GOALS

1. Supporting academic achievement and continuous improvement, with a focus on closing the achievement gap.
2. Developing collaborative leadership approaches that are future-focused and responsive to changing conditions.
3. Addressing national initiatives.
4. Providing leadership for California initiatives impacting instruction and student achievement.
5. Providing leadership for technology-based curriculum and instruction approaches.

Previous Meeting Highlights 1/21/21 (Agenda)

- Coordinated state agency update which included representatives from CDE, SBE, and CCEE.
- Continued focus on equity in action with a presentation by Dr. Fabiola Bagula and discussion on how county offices can continue to develop our skill set around leading equity work with the LEAs we serve.
- The College Board shared a presentation on resources and support for AP Coursework, Early AP programs, and ensuring equitable representation of students in AP courses. They provided an update on the status of AP testing for Spring 2021.
- The Accountability Subcommittee shared work around "Re-imagining Differentiated Assistance" and members discussed approaches to DA going forward.
- Members were provided an update on the status of the LCAP Template and the training being offered in partnership with BASC and SPSSC.

Ongoing Initiatives & Plans

Should be an update for superintendents based on prior work and discussions.

- The CISC Executive team developed a [process map](#) to ensure timely feedback can be provided to state agencies as needed.
- [LCAP Template Training](#) is being held in January and February. Training consists of three modules as well as calibration sessions.
- Key focus areas for CISC for 2021 include:

- Strengthening our focus on leading for equity through continued professional learning, networking, resources, integration in subcommittee work, and revising CISC goals.
- Collaboration across steering committees.
- Defining and strengthening our role within the Statewide System of Support.
- Strengthening and deepening our partnership with state agencies.

Concerns & Considerations

Things the superintendents need to be apprised of in relation to steering committee interactions, work, or emerging issues.

- A [letter](#) was submitted on behalf of the LCAP Fiscal Advisory Committee and CISC to Superintendent Thurman and Executive Director Allen regarding the Annual Update Template.
- A [letter](#) was submitted to the SBE on behalf of CISC regarding the State Literacy Plan and public comment was provided at the January SBE meeting.
- Emerging issues/concerns include:
 - Balancing accountability with support through the LCAP review and approval process.
 - Addressing learning loss and supporting learning acceleration.
 - Assessment, access to local measures of student progress, and data literacy.
 - Ensuring coherent approaches to differentiated assistance across the state.

Action Items

Can include things that need input and superintendents' feedback & partnerships. Please err on the side of adding too much information.

- Meet with state agency partners on a regular basis to align initiatives, provide feedback, and integrate support.
- Review CISC goals and revise to reflect intentional focus on equity.
- Work with CISC subcommittees to ensure the focus on equity is interwoven in their work.
- Continue dialogue around coherent approaches to differentiated assistance amongst county offices and with state agency partners.

Upcoming Meeting Dates

March 24-25

May 20-21

September 16-17

November 18-19