

2021 AWARDS PACKET

Each year, CCSESA selects up to six annual awards recipients, as follows:

- **Executive Leadership Award** – *advance of COE programs*
- **Professional Publication Award** - *research, writing, and/or publishing of information that advances the understanding of COE programs.*
- **Legislator of the Year Award** - *outstanding contributions to legislation for the advancement of COE programs*
- **Technology Award** - *an individual or agency for contribution in the area of technological innovation and support to local districts and COEs*
- **Perpetual Award** – *outstanding accomplishments*
- **Champions Award** - *epitomizes mission of CCSESA*

The first four awards are aligned with those given annually by CCSESA's national affiliate, the Association of Educational Services Agencies (AESA), and can be forwarded for consideration. In 2018 Jim Brescia was nominated, and won, the AESA E. Robert Stephens Award, for his research on the CCSESA Teacher Recruitment and Retention Brief. In 2019 Tim Hire was nominated, and won, the AESA Brian L. Talbott Award for the CTC's (operated by Tulare COE) work on the Virtual Job Fair.

Selection is made by the Awards Committee, CCSESA protocol has been that committee consists of President-elect (Dr. Debra Duardo) and last year's awards winners:

- Ms. Judy Flores (Winner: 2019 Executive Leadership Award) replacing Dr. Judy White who won the award in 2020
- Dr. James Brescia (on behalf of Sheldon Smith/BASC's Professional Publication Award for the CCSESA Emergency Recovery Guide)
- Ms. Gayle Garbolino-Mojica (Winner: 2020 Perpetual Award for Outstanding Accomplishments)

In May, the President-elect chairs a conference call with the members of the Awards Committee to select nominees. **If you have ideas for awards recipients ahead of this call, please tell me, or Karen.**

The Champions Award recipient is kept secret until presentation in October and is selected by CCSESA Past Presidents:

- Mr. Ted Alejandre
- Dr. Ed Manansala
- Dr. Stacey Adler
- Mr. David W. Gordon
- Ms. Mary Jane Burke

A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO CCSESA ANNUAL AWARDS

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AESA/CCSESA Aligned Awards

Overview –

Each year, CCSESA offers four annual awards that are aligned with those given annually by the national Association of Educational Service Agencies (AESA). The awards are for executive leadership, professional publication, legislative leadership and technological innovation. These awardees are presented their awards at the October General Membership Meeting, and they are aware of their honor beforehand, as they are not always superintendents and need to be alerted to make travel arrangements to be present to accept.

Timeline –

April: The President-Elect will nominate members for an [awards committee](#). CCSESA protocol has been that committee consists of President-elect and last year's awards winners. The Bylaws do not specify that the members be superintendents, though that is past precedent. The Board of Directors will approve these nominees.

May: The Awards Committee, along with the CCSESA Executive Director, will participate in a conference call to lock down nominations for all 6 awards.

June: AESA Awards nominations deadlines are this month. See the [AESA Awards page](#) for details and nomination packets. The packet MUST be submitted by the AESA deadline. NOTE: These packets require preparation and planning. Calls should be made as soon as nominees are selected to begin gathering selected information. Awards letters to be signed by the President-Elect.

August: Schedule the [Champions Award conference call](#). The conference call should include the CCSESA President and six recent past presidents. Order the awards to present at the October meeting. Select the presenters for the awards. Congratulatory letters sent to all recipients.

October: [Present awards](#) to winners during the dinner reception.

CCSESA Executive Leadership/AESA Justus A. Prentice Award

Awarded to an individual for contributions through executive leadership in the advancement of county office of education programs at the regional, state, and/or national levels.

Criteria:

- Advancement of the goals and philosophies of county offices of education.
- Outstanding accomplishments and innovative practices.
- Exercise of leadership.
- Service to county offices of education.

CCSESA Legislator of the Year Award/AESA Walter G. Turner Award

Awarded to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to legislation for the advancement of county office of education programs at the regional, state, and/or national levels.

Criteria:

- Advancement of the goals and philosophies of county offices of education.
- Outstanding accomplishments and innovative practices.
- Exercise of leadership.
- Service to the community of county offices of education.

CCSESA Professional Publication Award/AESA E. Robert Stephens Award

Awarded to an individual for research, writing, and/or publishing of information that advances the understanding of county office of education programs at the regional, state, and/or national levels. The work(s) may include, but are not limited to articles, monographs, dissertations, a book chapter, or a book.

Criteria:

- Advancement of the goals and philosophies of county offices of education.
- Scholarly nature of the work(s).
- Impact of the research, writing(s) and/or publication(s) on county offices of education.

AESA Brian L. Talbott Award – The recipient of this award is forwarded to AESA as the CA nominee.

Awarded to an individual or agency for contribution in the area of technological innovation and support to local districts and county offices of education.

Criteria:

- Advancement of the goals and philosophies of county offices of education.
- Evidence that agency/person has provided innovative technology support to constituent schools in the areas of instruction and/or business management that has caused positive improvement; and/or
- Evidence that the agency/person has effectively used technology for enhancing the agency's own operation and accountability.

NOTE: A nominee does not need to be selected for each category every year. For example, there was no 2011 Talbott nominee, and we have not selected a legislative leadership nominee since 2011.



CCSESA Superintendent Awards

Overview - Whereas it is not necessary that the AESA/CCSESA aligned awards be given to superintendents, or even individuals (EdJOIN, CalMHSA Clearinghouse, etc.), both the Perpetual Award and Champions/Past-Presidents Award are selected by and presented to acting superintendents.

The Perpetual Award – This award is given to a superintendent for outstanding accomplishments, and the winner is decided upon by the awards committee.

The Champions/Past Presidents Award – The Champions/Past Presidents Award was established in 2006 to recognize a county superintendent who “epitomizes the mission of CCSESA.” In early-August, the Association President should send a memo and corresponding award material to 6 recent past presidents soliciting a time later in the month for them to get together via conference call to discuss possible recipients. The awardee is kept secret until presentation in October.

CCSESA AWARDS HISTORY

CCSESA Executive Leadership Award/AESA Justus A. Prentice Award Recipients

1995	Dr. Kelly Blanton, Kern County Superintendent of Schools
1996	---
1997	Dr. Ray Charleson, President, Monterey County Board of Education
1998	Mr. John C. Reinking, Placer County Office of Education
1999	Dr. Vicki L. Barber, El Dorado County Office of Education
2000	Mr. Thomas E. Henry, Chief Administrative Officer, FCMAT
2001	Dr. David P. Meaney, Sacramento County Office of Education
2002	Dr. Glen W. Thomas, Executive Director, CCSESA
2003	Mr. Bob Douglas, Tehama County Department of Education
2004	Mr. Jack O'Connell, California State Superintendent of Public Instruction
2005	Ms. Susan K. Burr, Deputy Executive Director, CCSESA
2006	Dr. Julian Crocker, San Luis Obispo County Office of Education
2007	Dr. David Long, Secretary of Education and former Riverside County Superintendent
2008	Dr. Herbert Fischer, San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools
2009	Dr. Charles Weis, Santa Clara County Office of Education
2010	Mr. Jim Vidak, Tulare County Office of Education
2011	Mr. Larry Powell, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools
2012	Mr. David Gordon, Sacramento County Office of Education Mr. Joseph Silva, Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools
2013	Dr. Arturo Delgado, Los Angeles County Office of Education
2014	Ms. Terena Mares, Marin County Office of Education
2015	Ms. Gayle Garbolino-Mojica, Placer County Office of Education
2016	Mr. Stanley Mantooth, Ventura County Office of Education
2017	Bill Cirone, Santa Barbara County Office of Education
2018	Dr. Steven D. Herrington, Sonoma County Office of Education
2019	Ms. Judy Flores, Shasta County Office of Education



CCSESA Legislator of the Year/ AESA Walter G. Turner Award Recipients

1996	The Honorable James Brulte, California State Senate
1997	The Honorable Kerry Mazzoni, California State Assembly
1998	The Honorable John Vasconcellos, California State Senate
1999	The Honorable Dede Alpert, California State Senate
2000	The Honorable Ted Lempert, California State Assembly The Honorable Patrick Johnston, California State Senate
2001	The Honorable Jack O'Connell, California State Senate
2002	The Honorable Patricia Wiggins, California State Assembly
2003	The Honorable Jack Scott, California State Senate
2004	The Honorable Lynn Daucher, California State Assembly
2005	The Honorable Howard P. "Buck" McKeon, United States House of Representatives
2006	The Honorable Joe Simitian, California State Senate
2007	The Honorable Dianne Feinstein, United States Senate
2008	The Honorable Darrell Steinberg, California State Senate
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2011	The Honorable Jared Huffman, California State Assembly
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2014	---
2015	The Honorable Kevin McCarthy, United States House of Representatives The Honorable Richard Pan and the Honorable Ben Allen, California State Senate
2016	The Honorable Kristin Olsen, California State Assembly
2017	The Honorable Kevin McCarty, California State Assembly
2018	The Honorable Patrick O'Donnell, California State Assembly
2019	The Honorable Richard D. Roth, California State Senate



CCSESA Professional Publication Award/AESA E. Robert Stephens Award Recipients

- 1997 Mr. William Cirone, Santa Barbara County Education Office
- 1998 Dr. Michael Kirst, Professor, Stanford University, and Co-Director of the Policy Analysis for California Education (PACE)
- 1999 Dr. Joni Samples, Glenn County Office of Education
- 2000 Dr. Linda Darling-Hammond, Professor, Stanford University
- 2001 Dr. Douglas Reeves, Chairman and Founder, Center for Performance Assessment
- 2002 Dr. Richard Stiggins, President, Assessment Training Institute
- 2003 Mr. Jim Vidak, Tulare County Office of Education
- 2004 Mr. Peter Schrag, Sacramento Bee Columnist
- 2005 *Mr. George Skelton, Los Angeles Times Columnist
*Selected as the award recipient but was unable to officially accept due to the LA Times policy.
- 2006 Dr. Barbara Nemko, Napa County Office of Education
- 2007 Ms. Trish Williams, Executive Director of EdSource
- 2008 Dr. Milton Chen, Executive Director of the George Lucas Educational Foundation
- 2009 Mr. Larry Champion, Tehama County Department of Education
- 2010 ----
- 2011 ----
- 2012 Mr. William Cirone, Santa Barbara County Education Office
- 2013 Ms. Sarah Anderberg, CCSESA Arts Initiative
- 2014 Ms. Sue Stickel, Sacramento County Office of Education
- 2015 Ms. Judy Flores, Shasta County Office of Education
- 2016 Mr. Kenn Young, Riverside County Office of Education
- 2017 ----
- 2018 Dr. James J. Brescia, San Luis Obispo County Office of Education
- 2019 Ms. L. Karen Monroe & Charter Authorizers Task Force, Alameda County Office of Education

CCSESA Technology Award/Brian Talbott Award Recipients

- 2009 Imperial County Telecommunications Authority
- 2010 Organization Management System (OMS), San Bernardino County
- 2012 EdJOIN, San Joaquin County
- 2013 Regional K-12 Student Mental Health Initiative Clearinghouse
- 2014 Kern County Office of Education/Marin County Office of Education – FCMAT Calculator
- 2015 K12 High Speed Network, Imperial County Office of Education
- 2016 Education Matters, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools
- 2017 Tim Bowers, Kings County Office of Education
- 2018 Riverside & San Diego Counties (Joint Award)
- 2019 Mr. Tim Hire, Tulare County Office of Education



CCSESA Perpetual Award Recipients

1985	Mr. Gaylord "Ace" Nelson, San Joaquin County Office of Education
1986	Ms. Joyce Flannigan, Del Norte County Office of Education
1987	Mr. Frank Tallerico, Siskiyou County Office of Education
1988	Mr. Ronald Stewart, Contra Costa County Office of Education
1989	Mr. James Cowan, Ventura County Office of Education
1990	Mr. Dale Holmes, Riverside County Office of Education
1991	Ms. Sally Frazier, Madera County Office of Education
1992	Ms. Kelly Blanton, Kern County Superintendent of Schools
1993	Mr. John Reinking, Placer County Office of Education
1994	Mr. Wendall Kuykendall, Solano County Office of Education
1995	Mr. William Barr, Monterey County Office of Education
1996	Mr. Louis Bucher, Humboldt County Office of Education
1997	Mr. Martin Petersen, Stanislaus County Office of Education
1998	Mr. Marvin Locke, Tehama County Department of Education
1999	Mr. Rick Wentworth, San Joaquin County Office of Education
2000	Ms. Vicki Barber, El Dorado County Office of Education
2001	Mr. Jerry McGuire, Butte County Office of Education
2002	Mr. Chuck Weis, Ventura County Office of Education
2003	Ms. Joni Samples, Glenn County Office of Education
2004	Mr. William Cornelison, Lake County Office of Education
2005	Ms. Diane Siri, Santa Cruz County Office of Education
2006	Mr. William Cirone, Santa Barbara County Education Office
2007	Mr. Robert Douglas, Tehama County Department of Education
2008	Dr. Garry Eagles, Humboldt County Office of Education
2009	Mr. Richard Teagarden, Yuba County Office of Education
2010	Mr. John Brophy, Calaveras County Office of Education
2011	Mr. James French, Trinity County Office of Education
2012	Ms. Mary Jane Burke, Marin County Office of Education
2013	Mr. Dave Gordon, Sacramento County Office of Education
2014	Mr. Julian Crocker, San Luis Obispo County Office of Education
2015	Mr. Kermith Walters, Siskiyou County Office of Education
2016	Mr. Stanley Mantooth, Ventura County Office of Education
2017	Ms. Anne E. Campbell, San Mateo County Office of Education
2018	Mr. Michael Watkins, Santa Cruz County Office of Education
2019	Dr. Steven D. Herrington, Sonoma County Office of Education



CCSESA Champions Award Recipients

- 2006 Mr. Joe Silva, Tuolumne County Superintendent of Schools - Mental health work
- 2007 Mr. John Brophy, Calaveras County Office of Education - Academic Decathlon
- 2008 Mr. Lee Andersen, Merced County Office of Education – Preschool/Early Childhood Education
- 2009 Ms. Darline Robles, Los Angeles County Office of Education
- 2010 Dr. Nancy Kotowski, Monterey County Office of Education – Academic Trustee leadership
- 2011 Mr. Jorge Ayala, Yolo County Office of Education
- 2012 Ms. Mary Jane Burke, Marin County Office of Education
- 2013 Dr. Garry Eagles, Humboldt County Office of Education
- 2014 Mr. Paul Tichinin, Mendocino County Office of Education
- 2015 Mr. Michael Watkins, Santa Cruz County Office of Education
- 2016 Mr. Tom Armelino, Shasta County Office of Education
- 2017 Mr. Jim Vidak, Tulare County Office of Education
- 2018 Mr. Stan Mantooth, Ventura County Office of Education & Mr. David W. Gordon, Sacramento County Office of Education
- 2019 Dr. Barbara Nemko, Napa County Office of Education