

## California County Superintendents Educational Services Association

## Promoting, influencing, and advocating for high-quality education.

## **County Superintendents Academy**

**Presenter:** Karen Stapf-Walters

**Item Type:** Discussion

**Recommendation**: Solicit feedback from the Board on some early ideas around the creation of a new County Superintendent Academy.

**Background:** One of the goals in our Strategic Plan is to implement a more robust new county superintendent orientation. Given that this is an election year, in addition to several retirements amongst superintendents, there will be changes in leadership at some county offices. The timing is optimal to develop a New County Superintendent Academy that is more than a one-day training. The vision would be for multiple days over a year with current members participating on panels and helping develop the topics and materials for each session. Sessions would be held both virtually and in-person and could be tied to our general membership meetings that are in-person next year. Over several conversations with Ceci Massetti (Madera), she recommended developing a survey to generate areas of interest for the Academy sessions. In discussing this idea at her recent Region 7 meeting, some ideas generated including sessions on the following: statutory role versus real world, appointed superintendent versus elected, what are county classes, role as the employer and negotiations, redistricting and the county committee role and the role of CCSESA.