



## ANNOUNCEMENT

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### **The CCEE and the CA Dept. of Education Release Request For Applications (RFAs) for Statewide Special Education Resource Lead: Systems Improvement Lead**

In that California has officially launched its Statewide System of Support, which serves as a safety net to help school districts and charter schools improve student outcomes, the [California Collaborative for Educational Excellence](#) (CCEE) and the [California Department of Education](#) (CDE) are pleased to offer the following request for application (RFA) for the selection of **Statewide Special Education Resource Lead: Systems Improvement Lead**.

[Click to access the RFA for the Special Education Resource Lead: Systems Improvement Lead](#)

[This RFA](#) will serve as the vehicle for selecting Systems Improvement Special Education Resource Lead entities to serve as a key member within the Statewide System of Support.

Under the provisions outlined in the 2018 state budget, the CCEE and CDE are inviting Special Education Local Plan Areas (SELPA) to apply to be named as a Special Education Resource Lead (SELPA Lead). Timelines and other pertinent information are included within the [RFA linked here and above](#).

#### **SELPA Leads Overview**

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SELPA Leads will join a statewide leadership team, which includes the CCEE, CDE, SBE, and the other statewide leads including County Geographic Leads and Community Engagement Leads. The SELPA Leads will work collaboratively with one another to build the capacity of SELPAs statewide as well as with other leads within the Statewide System of Support.

They will do this through a variety of activities, including but not limited to training and supporting the use of data best practices, evidence-based practices in root cause analyses, systems alignment and coherence, and implementing specific evidence-based practices that demonstrate positive outcomes for students with disabilities.

The main goal of the SELPA Leads is to develop capacity of SELPAs to work collaboratively with other agencies, such as County Offices of Education, in providing assistance within the Statewide System of Support to Local Education Agencies (LEAs) with a focus on improving the outcomes of students with disabilities. Expectations of the SELPA Leads will include serving as capacity builders, connectors, and facilitators to other SELPAs.

For more information, please send your questions to [SELPALEAD@cde.ca.gov](mailto:SELPALEAD@cde.ca.gov).