

Background

The Community Engagement Initiative was added to the Statewide System of Support through an important investment made through the Budget Act of 2018. The Community Engagement Initiative was established for the purpose of:

- Building capacity in communities and school districts to have difficult conversations with each other and build trust, with a focus on improving outcomes for pupils.
- Identifying effective models of community engagement and metrics to evaluate those models.
- Developing effective peer-to-peer partnerships between school districts and county offices
 of education to deepen community engagement.
- Improve community engagement statewide and incorporate practices that prove effective toward school district and county office of education continuous improvement efforts.

In May 2022 the Governor's budget included language and funding to expand the work, deliverables, and scope of the Community Engagement Initiative, as well extending it's operational timeline until the end of the 26-27 school year.

Peer Leading & Learning

CEI operates on a peer leading and learning model. All of our current 57 LEA participants form their own CEI teams that consist of educational partners, including county office of education representatives, district and school-site representatives, parents, students, and community members. The CEI convenes these teams throughout the year at Peer Leading & Learning Network (PLLN) meetings.

LEAs interested in joining the Community Engagement Initiative can find more info at californiaengage.org/joining-cei.





The Community Engagement Initiative is now proud to offer free online learning modules on a variety of community engagement topics.



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Current CEI Partners

Cohort I

- Anaheim Union High
- · Cajon Valley Union

Cohort II

- · Bakersfield City
- · Chino Valley Unified
- · Moreno Valley Unified
- Oakland Unified
- · Pajaro Valley Unified
- · Parlier Unified
- · Riverside Unified
- Upper Lake Unified

Ontario-Montclair

· Val Verde Unified

Cohort III

- · Alvord Unified
- · Campbell Union High
- · Fontana Unified
- Happy Valley Union Elementary
- · Kernville Union Elementary
- · Live Oak
- Madera Unified
- Magnolia Public Schools
- Murrieta Valley Unified
- · Natomas Unified
- · Rialto Unified

- · Rio Elementary
- · Rocklin Academy Family of Schools
- · San Bernardino City Unified
- · San Bruno Park Elementary
- · Santa Paula Unified
- · Shasta County Office of Education
- · Tahoe-Truckee Unified
- Twin Rivers Unified
- · West Contra Costa Unified

Cohort IV

- · Ambassador Phillip V. Sanchez II Public Charter
- Apple Valley Unified
- Aspen Valley Prep Academy
- · Blue Oak Charter
- · Butte County Office of Education
- · Coachella Valley Unified
- · Fort Bragg Unified
- · Fowler Unified
- Kern High
- · Kings Valley Academy II
- · Laton Joint Unified
- Mariposa County Unified
- · Mt. Shasta Union Elementary

Statewide Partners

- Community Schools Partnership Program Regional Technical
- **Assistance Centers**

- · Northern United Humboldt Charter School
- · Northern United Siskiyou Charter School
- · Oak Valley Union Elementary
- · Pacific Community Charter
- · Red Bluff Joint Union High
- · Scotia Union Elementary
- Shanél Valley Academy
- · Siskiyou Union High
- · Southern Humboldt Joint Unified
- · Tehama County Department of Education
- Willow Creek Elementary
- Willows Unified
- WestEd



