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# Solano County Superintendent of Schools Receives C-STEM Award

## *UC Davis Honors Lisette Estrella-Henderson With C-STEM Administrator of the Year*

Fairfield, CA- [UC Davis C-STEM](#) (computing, science, technology, engineering and mathematics) Center has named Solano County Superintendent of Schools, Lisette Estrella-Henderson as a C-STEM Administrator of the Year recipient. The C-STEM Administrator of the Year award program recognizes C-STEM schools, districts, and county administrators for their strong leadership in supporting integrated computing and STEM education through systematic implementation of C-STEM programs. Award recipients are selected by the C-STEM Awards Committee consisting of the university faculty, graduate students, and undergraduate students.

Award recipients will be presented with three certificates of recognition from the UC Davis C-STEM Center, California Department of Education, and California State Legislature by a panel of distinguished guests at the [9<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference on Integrated Computing and STEM Education](#) held on Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 at the UC Davis Conference Center.

Solano County Superintendent of Schools Lisette-Estrella-Henderson commented, "I'm truly honored by the award from UC Davis, but I do not do this work alone. I have a team of amazing educators behind me, creating, planning and implementing programs for students. SCOE also has tremendous corporate and community partners like Genentech, Valero, and Soroptimist International, Central Solano and Vacaville Twilight Clubs, that are instrumental in funding C-STEM opportunities provided at no cost to students. So really, this award is a reflection of a community effort to support Solano students."

Estrella-Henderson has also been asked to present at this year's C-STEM Conference, themed "Robotics for Creative Problem Solving." The Superintendent will discuss Solano County Office of Education's (SCOE) work and experience in using UC Davis' C-STEM curriculum in projects geared toward closing the opportunity gap. SCOE's recent expansion of Girls in Robotics Leadership Camps across Solano County, regional STEAM fairs, and STEAM Education Community Forum, will be cited as examples of programs created to increase student access and exposure to C-STEM fields.

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Solano County Office of Education (SCOE) provides leadership, support, and fiscal oversight for Benicia, Dixon, Fairfield-Suisun, Travis, Vacaville, and Vallejo school districts which serve approximately 64,000 students. Solano County Superintendent of Schools, Lisette Estrella-Henderson is elected by voters of Solano County. The Superintendent is a state constitutional officer who serves as the chief executive officer of SCOE and as a liaison between local school districts and the state.