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# Four Members of SCOE Leadership Team Named Administrators of the Year

**Fairfield, CA**- Solano County Office of Education (SCOE) has selected four employees as outstanding administrators in their respective fields, who will be recognized by Region 4 of the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA).

Solano County Superintendent of Schools Lisette Estrella-Henderson remarked, "Our nominated administrators have re-imagined the possibilities in their respective departments. They have shown remarkable leadership, not only with their staff, but throughout Solano County." These four education leaders have also been nominated by ACSA Region 4 to represent them, in their respective categories, at the state level. "I'm so pleased that their progressive efforts are being recognized by a-highly respected statewide professional organization like ACSA."

Recipients of the ACSA distinction include:



### Clarissa Tuttle, Program Administrator, Special Education

Clarissa is being recognized regionally as ACSA's Administrator of the Year in the Special Education category. She is cited as a highly skilled, knowledgeable, and dynamic leader who spearheads professional learning and coaches and supports her fellow educators. Clarissa is well respected for her expertise and experience within the field of special education, possessing a deep knowledge of special education law, and sharing innovative practices with the education community. She is known by her colleagues to be warm, responsive, compassionate, and supportive with students, families, and staff.

In addition to working at SCOE, for a time Clarissa also continued serving our country in the Air Force Reserve where Major Tuttle (Retired) was Director of the Equal Opportunity Agency. Under her leadership, Clarissa's team received the prestigious military Superior Team Award, for their work and service, in addition to the agency being recognized as the top program in the nationwide organization for three years.

# Jane Sinkewiz, Duplicating Services Manager

Jane started working for SCOE 26 years ago as a custodian and offset press operator. From the beginning, she had a vision for an expansion of cost-effective printing and duplication products offered to Solano schools. With Jane's leadership, high standards, and unstoppable work ethic, her duplication department now serves all the public K-12 school districts in Solano County, Solano Community College, and a school district in a neighboring county.

Jane has a strong passion for exemplary customer service and is committed to treating all customers with kindness and respect. She is humble about her achievements made during her career and modest about the recognition from ACSA. Jane is being recognized regionally as ACSA's Classified Leader of the Year.



# Susan Labrecque, Senior Director of Resource Development, Transition Services, and Post-Secondary Options

Susan is being recognized regionally as ACSA's Administrator of the Year in the Career Technical Education category. She plays a key role in providing workforce development and career readiness services to Solano County school districts and student programs. She has exceptional knowledge in the area of career readiness and skill development, as well as placement for students with different abilities and out-of-school youth.

Susan is a passionate advocate for appropriate and impactful services for students. She is resourceful and known for exceptional leadership in finding funding sources to create new opportunities that serve students. The Inclusion Film Camp, which she organized last year for adult transition students, is a prime example of her progressive and resourceful programs for young adults. To support SCOE's mission of preparing students for meaningful employment, Susan has established a rich network of partnerships within Solano County and throughout the state.



### Collin Bublavi Kocher, Director, Human Resources

Collin is being recognized regionally as ACSA's Administrator of the Year in the Personnel/Human Resources category. Colleagues characterize her as a role model who is tremendously respected by not only the Human Resources team, but all managers and employees.

As the Human Resources Director, Collin establishes meaningful supports for staff throughout the organization, works to streamline functions, and ensures processes are accessible for all employees. She contributes strategic and thoughtful recommendations

for continual growth as an organization. Collin exemplifies ACSA's mission to develop and support inspired educational leaders who meet the diverse needs of our students.

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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.

