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Annual Progress Reporting Expected Release Date is April 1, 2024

In February, the S-TAC facilitated a Community of Transformational Practice (CoTP) session to provide grantees with updates on changes to the APR, as well as a preliminary version of the Sustainability Plan and the Whole Child Inventory. You can access the slide presentation [HERE](#).

Digital Commons: A Public Forum for Transforming Schools

The S-TAC has launched the Digital Commons platform, designed to host resources, tools, and templates to enhance the Community Schools strategy and promote collaboration among practitioners throughout California. Click to visit and bookmark the [Digital Commons page!](#)

CV R-TAC Events

The CV R-TAC Events document is accessible for you to plan for both upcoming mandatory and optional events. These include listings for both Fresno and Kern events, and all grantees are encouraged to register for either. Access the CV R-TAC Events document [HERE](#).



Bright Spots & Best Practices

The month's excitement included tours and collective learning about the transformational work happening in the Central Valley!



The Wonderful College Prep Academy in Delano

showcased the community-focused educational setting that integrates academics, health and wellness, athletics and equipping students with a future towards higher education. We toured their learning farms, visited classrooms, and dined in their Harvest Hall.

The Fairfax School District, Parent Education Resource Center in Bakersfield

serves as a beacon of empowerment, offering pathways to citizenship and strengthening families through strategic partnerships. These collaborations are with institutions such as Bakersfield Adult School.



Bakersfield College, CSU Bakersfield, CSU Fresno, Dignity Health, and Kern Family Health Care, along with GED workshops and Brighter Bites food baskets, exemplify their commitment to holistic community support and upliftment.

RESOURCES

Elevate your Community of Practice (CoP)

The CV R-TAC has developed a comprehensive guidebook for our educational partners engaged in implementing the Community Schools strategy: the Community of Practice (CoP) Guidebook. Access it by clicking [HERE](#).

Community Schools Fundamentals

The Community Schools Fundamentals “one-page” with hyperlinks has been updated for your reference.

Community Schools Fundamentals

The diagram illustrates a cyclical process for implementing the California Community Schools Vision. At the center is the 'California Community Schools Vision' with 'Overarching Values' and 'Capacity Building Strategies'. The cycle consists of three main stages: REFLECT (Annual Progress Report (APR)*), PLAN (Implementation Plan Template), and IMPROVE (LEA Self Assessment, Site Self Assessment). Each stage includes specific resources and links.

REFLECT
Annual Progress Report (APR)*

- APR - School Sites
- APR - LEA/Consortium
- APR - Planning Grantees

PLAN
[Implementation Plan Template](#)

IMPROVE
[LEA Self Assessment](#)
[Site Self Assessment](#)

IMPLEMENT
[Needs and Assets Assessment](#)
[Resource Mapping](#)
[Collaborative Structure Guide](#)

Logos at the bottom include: ALAMEDA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION, UCLA Center for Community Schooling, nea NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, and Californians for Justice.

Community Schools Resource Network

This **tool** offers a resource directory to connect Community Schools with Community Based Organizations (CBOs). Main Sources: Fresno Cradle 2 Career & CDE CA School Dashboard. Check out the **“How-to-Guide”** video!

Leveraging Medi-Cal to Support Sustainability Webinar

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who joined us for the Leveraging Medi-Cal to Support Sustainability Webinar hosted by WestED on February 27, 2024. With many participants actively involved, we delved into foundational data concepts, engaged in enriching peer learning breakout sessions, and enjoyed a fruitful Q&A session.

For those unable to attend, we invite you to access the recording of the NAA Webinar and explore related resources through the following links:

[Webinar Recording/Resources](#) [NAA Webinar Linktree](#)

CV R-TAC Websites

CV R-TAC websites for more tools and resources to support the Community School strategy.

[FCSS Community Schools](#) [KCSOS Community Schools](#)

Community Schools Boot Camp

Sign up for one the TWO-DAY Community Schools boot camps for district/site administrators and/or district/site coordinators. Click [HERE](#) to see dates and locations for boot camp sessions. Don't miss out!

Upcoming Events

[California Community Schools EMPOWER Summit 2024](#)

[FCSS Community of Practice \(COP\) Networking](#)

[KCSOS Community of Practice \(COP\)](#)

[Networking](#)
[S-TAC Webinars](#)

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