



**TIME SENSITIVE - REQUIRES BOARD ACTION
DEADLINE: THURSDAY, APRIL 30**

March 28, 2026

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MEMORANDUM

To: All Board Presidents and Superintendents
CSBA Member Boards of Education in Region 20

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From: Dr. Debra Schade, CSBA President

Re: 2026 CSBA Delegate Assembly Run-off Elections
U.S. Postmark Deadline – Thursday, April 30, 2026

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE
SAN JOSE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

The members of the Delegate Assembly Election Committee met on March 25, 2026, to count and certify the ballots for membership on the CSBA Delegate Assembly. A tie vote resulted in a run-off election in your Region.

Enclosed is the run-off ballot material for election of a representative to CSBA Delegate Assembly from your Region. The material consists of the ballot (on turquoise paper) and a list of all current members of the Delegate Assembly from Region 20 effective April 1, 2026. In addition, the candidates' required biographical sketch form and optional resume is provided, along with a "copy" of the run-off ballot on white paper so that it may be included in your board agenda packet. **Only the run-off ballot on turquoise paper is to be completed and returned to CSBA if your district or county board chooses to submit a paper ballot.** Electronic copies are being emailed to your Board President, Superintendent, and the primary contact on file with CSBA for your board.

The board may cast its vote either electronically using the unique link sent to the primary contact for your board or by paper using the turquoise ballot. The paper ballot must be filled out completely, signed by the Superintendent or the Board Clerk, and returned in the enclosed envelope. If the envelope is misplaced, you may use your district's stationery, please write **DELEGATE ELECTION – RUN-OFF BALLOT** and your Region number on the envelope. **Run-off ballots must be submitted electronically or postmarked by the U.S. Post Office on or before Thursday, April 30, 2026.**

The run-off ballots will be counted by May 10 and candidates will be notified of the results immediately. Should a second tie occur, the Regional Director will cast the tie-breaking vote. All newly elected Delegates will serve terms that will expire on March 31, 2028. The next meeting of the Delegate Assembly is on Saturday, May 16 – Sunday, May 17 and will take place at the Safe Credit Union Convention Center in downtown Sacramento. Please do not hesitate to contact nominations@csba.org should you have any questions. Thank you.

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This complete, **ORIGINAL RUN-OFF** Ballot must be **SIGNED** by the Superintendent or Board Clerk and returned in the enclosed envelope postmarked by the post office no later than **THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2026**. Only ONE Ballot per Board. Be sure to mark your vote "X" in the box. *A PARTIAL, UNSIGNED, PHOTOCOPIED, OR LATE BALLOT WILL NOT BE VALID.*

OFFICIAL 2026 DELEGATE ASSEMBLY RUN-OFF
BALLOT REGION 20
(Santa Clara County)

Number of seats: 1 (Vote for no more than 1 candidate)

Delegates will serve two-year terms beginning April 1, 2026 - March 31, 2028

**denotes incumbent*

Elisabeth Halliday (Campbell Union HSD)

Jodi Muirhead (Santa Clara USD)*

Signature of Superintendent or Board Clerk

Title

School District Name

Date of Board Action

See reverse side for list of all current Delegates in your Region.

REGION 20 – 9 Delegates (8 elected, 1 appointed)

Director: Devon Conley (Mountain View Whisman SD)

Below is a list of all elected or appointed Delegates from this Region.

County: Santa Clara

Teresa Castellanos (San Jose USD), appointed term expires 2027

Isabel Jubes-Flamerich (Sunnyvale SD), term expires 2028

Naomi Nakano-Matsumoto (Fremont Union HSD), 2027

Carol Presunka (Cambrian SD), term expires 2028

George Sanchez (Franklin-McKinley ESD), term expires 2027

Vaishali Sirkay (Los Altos ESD), term expires 2027

Jessica Speiser (Santa Clara COE), term expires 2028

RUN-OFF (TBD), 2028

County Delegate:

Jorge Pacheco Jr. (Santa Clara COE), term expires 2028

County

Santa Clara

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Respondent

124

Anonymous

46:01

Time to complete

1. I have been... *

Appointed

Nominated

2. Your signature indicates your consent to be placed on the ballot and serve as a Delegate, if elected *

Elisabeth Halliday - consent acknowledged

3. Full name *

Elisabeth Halliday

4. Region/subregion *

20



5. Name of District or COE *

Campbell Union High School District

6. Years on board *

3

7. Profession

Technical Writer/Editor

8. Contact number *

9. Primary email address *

10. Are you an incumbent Delegate? *

Yes

No

11. Why are you interested in becoming a Delegate? Please describe the skills and experiences you would bring to the Delegate Assembly. *

I enjoy working for the betterment of all of our students, not just in my own district. Public education is a right and something I deeply value.

12. Please describe your activities and involvement on your local board, community, and/or CSBA. *

I've completed the Equity Leadership Certificate from the California Academic Partnership Program (affiliated with CSU/UC) last year and now I'm leading another team of school board members in our county through this program. I'm a lifelong learner and love expanding my knowledge in ways that can help me to better serve our students and community. I've been involved in our county school board association (SCCSBA) as I find this organization to be a great resource for coming together and sharing knowledge and work. On my local board I enjoy working with my colleagues to find solutions that most affect our students (such as transportation, opportunity gap, achievement gap, curriculum, school climate, culture, etc.).

13. What do you see as the biggest challenge facing governing boards and how can CSBA help address it? *

There are so many challenges. While I should say "funding," that is an issue that will always have limits and we must find creative ways to serve our students with the resources we have, and show our priorities through how we allocate our budget. However, this year there are so many challenges that affect our schools and they are all sourced from ONE main factor - a volatile and constantly changing political climate. The constant changes can put us into panic mode, much like disrupting an ants nest. It's integral to maintain our focus on our students and our priorities and values despite the chaotic external factors that affect our districts and communities. I appreciate the CSBA's efforts at monitoring legislative activities and how these factors affect us, and providing us with direction so that we can best pivot with these changes while maintaining our focus on our students.

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Respondent

92

Anonymous

20:52

Time to complete

1. I have been... *

Appointed

Nominated

2. Your signature indicates your consent to be placed on the ballot and serve as a Delegate, if elected *

Jodi Muirhead

3. Full name *

Jodi Muirhead

4. Region/subregion *

20



5. Name of District or COE *

Santa Clara Unified School District

6. Years on board *

11

7. Profession

Retired

8. Contact number *

9. Primary email address *

10. Are you an incumbent Delegate? *

Yes

No

11. Why are you interested in becoming a Delegate? Please describe the skills and experiences you would bring to the Delegate Assembly. *

As a Delegate and a trustee, I will continue to be very focused on ensuring that every student has the opportunity to graduate from our public schools ready for college or a career. I will be a passionate and effective component of a collaborative working environment with other delegates in our region and throughout the state to bring focus on the necessary financial and legal changes that are needed to advocate for students and improve our schools.

I have participated on CSBA's Nominating Committee and been active on Delegate Assembly. I have been an involved volunteer in our schools for over 20 years and an educator for 9 years. I am and have been involved with numerous school board and district committees. I was a founder and board member of Santa Clara Unified Parents, a district-wide advocacy and support non-profit. I was a software engineer for 13 years at several local technology companies. Throughout all these activities, I have been a strong collaborator and enjoy bringing people with diverse viewpoints together to reach a common goal. I have received the 25th District of the State Assembly Community Hero Award, Special Recognition award from the city of Santa Clara, PTA Honorary Service Award and the Marilyn Rea Volunteer of the Year Award. I am the proud parent of three children; all are graduates of our local public high school.

12. Please describe your activities and involvement on your local board, community, and/or CSBA. *

In 2021, I was a member of CSBA's Nominating Committee and have been on the Delegate Assembly for 8 years. I completed the CSBA Masters in Governance Certificate and have attended the CSBA AEC conference every year since I became a board member. I co-chaired CSBA PAC's first fundraiser in the state. In Santa Clara Unified, I have served as President, Vice-President and Clerk. I have been active on numerous board committees, including the Policy, Budget, City Liaison, and Community College Liaison committees. I have been part of district wide committees, including the District Advisory Committee, Facilities Task Force and the district PTA Council. As a parent in the district, I was on a school site council and on the board of parent organizations. I have volunteered at schools for over 25 years and continue to do so.

I have been the president and vice-president of the Santa Clara County School Boards Association (SCCSBA) and was the co-chair of the Hoffmann Award Committee. I co-founded and was a board member for Santa Clara Unified Parents, a non-profit set up to offer parent advocacy and district support. I participated in Santa Clara's Charter Review Committee and co-wrote the ballot statements for three city charter measures that resulted from our discussions and were placed on the November, 2016 ballot, passing overwhelmingly. I am a board member of the non-profit Santa Clara Parade of Champions and have helped to bring the parade to life. I am on the board of Congregation Shir Hadash as its immediate past president and previously served as president and as chair of the youth and family committee.

13. What do you see as the biggest challenge facing governing boards and how can CSBA help address it? *

In light of declining enrollment and the financial effect this will have throughout the state, CSBA must effectively advocate for districts to have the financial and legislative support that they will need to equitably educate all students. CSBA and its delegates must work together to ensure that schools have the funding they need so that ALL students can master the material and graduate college or career ready. Governing boards have several challenges facing them, and this year it is crucial that we continue to offer our students and staff the resources they need to aid in their wellness. CSBA should continue to advocate at the state and federal levels for sufficient resources for academic and social-emotional recovery programs.