



Dear Children's Caucus,

A heartfelt "thank you" to all our CademCC advocates... all of us here standing strong and fast daily for our kids, and their rights – holding true for the fairness and opportunity our children need, to grow and to learn and to mature.

JOIN US !

May 15 & 16, 2026

A DOCUMENTARY FILM (KINEMA)
Friday, 5/15/26; 6:30 pm - 9 pm PT

MOMS CLUB

- Followed by an online discussion with the movie's producers, authors, directors, dark money investigators and featured activists, including some fellow CademCC members!

A ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION (ZOOM)
Saturday, 5/16/26; 9 am - 10 am PT

- **Dr. Danfeng Soto-Vigil Koon;** Associate Professor, University of San Francisco
- **Dr. Jonathon Sawyer;** Researcher, National Education Policy Center
- **Mr. Jeremy Cohen;** President, Americans United for Separation of Church and State - OC

Weaponizing the Aggrieved:

The Consequence for Kids, as Extremists Capture the Narrative Around Education and School Boards

investigative filmmaking;
academic research
~ discussion and advocacy ~



Documentary Scening
Kinema REGISTRATION
tinyurl.com/CademCCMomsClub
Friday, 5/15/25; 6:30 pm

Round Table Discussion
Zoom REGISTRATION
tinyurl.com/EduExtremists
Saturday, 5/16/26; 9 am



We all see our social – and political – fabric, threatened and fraying. We see millions of dollars withheld via federal funding through **HR1**; we see our CA health and welfare programs in jeopardy, all the most keenly for our most vulnerable. And we return daily to our work,

communities and avocations to extend our palm out flat saying “*not today*”.

Most important is to learn what’s on the horizon, to understand the semiotics and the signals, the propaganda and dog whistles. What is real, what is opportunistic, what is dangerous – what it is that’s coming our way.

Please ***JoinUS!*** for a wonderful pair of programs May 15 & 16, 2026, exploring extremism around our schools, the noise and the drama; what is a true threat and why and how.

Weaponizing the Aggrieved

Following a 90 minute screening Friday night of the documentary ***Moms CLUB***, we’ll join its crew, principals and investigators courtesy of host *Winters Rock Entertainment*, to discuss the incursion on schools, school boards, kids and their families from the Temecula and Chino to ***San Fernando*** Valleys.

Bright and early next Saturday morning (allowing for plenty of time to hit the streets *GettingOutTheVote* for June 2’s primary), ***JoinUS!*** on Zoom for a round table discussion of ***The Consequence for Kids, as Extremists Capture the Narrative Around Education and School Boards***. With Danfeng Soto-Vigil Koon presenting her group's paper on ***Mama Bears in the Belly of the Beast*** (the astroturf group Moms For Liberty), Jonathon Sawyer discussing ***Chiles v Salazar*** (the SCOTUS ruling on conversion therapy), and Jeremy Cohen of Orange County’s ***Americans United For Separation of Church and State***, grounding the conversation in practical advocacy.

Click for Friday evening's documentary screening and discussion of Moms CLUB (Kinema tickets)

Click for Saturday morning's round table on Weaponizing the Aggrieved (Zoom registration)

Kid's Issues in June's Elections

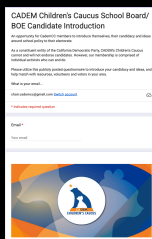
Review the Children's Caucus SSPI Forum

Find the forum video on our youtube page, [here](#).



And our advance discussion with the caucus about [the State Superintendent of Public Instruction \(SSPI\) post](#) queued up [here](#).

Platforming CademCC School Board Candidates



As a constituent entity of the California Democratic Party, CADEM's Children's Caucus cannot and will not endorse candidates. However, our membership is comprised of individual-activists who can and do.

If you are running for school board or an education-related seat, you are invited to [complete our questionnaire](#) for public posting to our Facebook page [here](#).

The questionnaire is an opportunity for CademCC members to introduce themselves, their candidacy and ideas around school policy, to their electorate. As well hopefully to help match resources, volunteers and voters in our members' area.

Your Voice; Ways To Join In With CademCC

Legislative Cabinet

CademCC convenes regularly to study legislation around children's issues – local, statewide, and federal. Inform your interest through meetings:

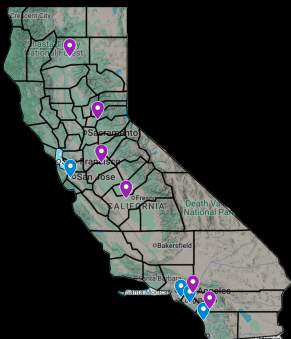
- topically-centered, or
- centered on specific legislators sharing their kid-focused legislative packages.

To commend specific legislation of your own interest to CademCC, please complete [this form](#).

As a constituent entity of the California Democratic Party, CademCC may recommend a position to the CADEM Legislative Committee, but has no

voice independent of the state Central Committee. Our members, however, comprised of individuals who engage and advocate on behalf of children professionally and avocationally, do.

KidNetwork Organizing



CademCC has been supporting the work of kid-centered political Clubs throughout the state's 58 counties. We need to know when and how children's spaces are politicized the better to protect and support our kids mutually.

JoinUS! by growing this network ~ organize in your own area or elide with others. For more details, please email our network coordinator

Genice Jacobs or **chair.cademcc@gmail.com**.

Review Our Archived Programs

JOIN US !
...for TWO meetings in association with the California Democratic Party's Endorsing Convention in San Francisco
February 16 & 20-22, 2026

**Resourcing Education:
Perspectives on Academic Freedom, University to UTK**

Post-secondary
• **Dr. Sheldon Gen;** Assoc. Dean of Faculty Affairs, Professor of Public Administration, SFSU

Secondary
• **Dr. Theresa Montaño;** Professor of Chicana/o Studies, CSU-Northridge

Primary
• **Ms. Zeena Pliska;** Children's Book Author, Transitional Kindergarten Teacher, LAUSD
• **Dr. Aleta Rose;** Elementary School Principal, LAUSD

Remote:
Regular, membership meeting
Agenda: tinyurl.com/SFAGda
Zoom: tinyurl.com/SFCademCC

Monday, February 16, 2026
7:00 pm - 8:30* pm

Social gathering of the Children's Caucus membership, and the advocate-candidates who would present to us their winning ideas

In-person:
Campaigning-Social
Friday, February 20, 2026
7:30 pm - 9:15 pm
Moscone Center
San Francisco

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Our Voice is Their Voice

CADEMChildrensCaucus.org

Resourcing Education: Perspective s on Academic Freedom, University to UTK:

Discussion **here**, from **our youtube channel**

- **Dr. Sheldon Gen;** Associate Dean of Faculty Affairs, Professor of Public Administration, San Francisco State University [Post-secondary]
- **Dr. Guadalupe Carrasco Cardona;** Magnet Studies Coordinator (LAUSD), Ethnic Studies Educator [Secondary]
- **Ms. Zeena Pliska;** Children's Book Author, Transitional Kindergarten Teacher, LAUSD [Primary]
- **Dr. Aleta Rose;** Elementary School Principal, LAUSD [Primary]

- State Superintendent of Public Instruction (SSPI) candidates, with regard to the significance for their administration, as head of California's Department of Education

Visit the rest of our archives

CADEM Children's Caucus 2025 Meetings

Membership business meetings -

- May Convention (Anaheim):
 - Energize And Organize (virtual); Soapbox Social (in person)
- August Executive Board (virtual):
 - Looking Around For Insight (remote)
- November Executive Board (Monterey):
 - Federal Impacts on Policy and the Political Impacts for CA's Families and Children (virtual); Joint five-caucus networking Social (in person)

Focused programs (virtual) -

- Conversations with PLEOS
 - Asm. Al Muratsuchi, Asm Education Committee Chair
- Special Topics
 - From Cradle To Career: The Importance of Career Technical Education
 - Food Insecurity: the BigBadUgly During Holiday Season

Party business -

- Forum, State Superintendent of Public Instruction candidates
- Legislative Study Groups (June, July, virtual)
- Platform discussion, with committee co-chair Ingalsbee
- CalKids Network meeting (virtual) and organizing (on-going)

Programs archived at: youtube.com/@cdpchildrenscaucus
cademchildrenscaucus.org

Summer Executive Board Meeting, 2026

Hold the Date for CADEM's summer Eboard in San Diego
 ~ details **coming soon!**

July 31 - August 2, 2026
 Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Resort

Your Children's Caucus

...is healthy and growing! Our steering committee meets monthly and all members are welcome to bring your own ideas ~ email the chair for details **here**. We'll conduct special meetings and **Conversations** with our elected officials and Party leaders all year long. **JoinUS** on **Facebook, Instagram, youtube, Linktr.ee**, via **newsletter, email** and **website**, or however you might prefer and wish to help us as we continue to forward information, resources and support around children's issues.

CademCC Executive

Board:

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 Matthew Hilliard, NoCal
 ViceChair
 Wade Kyle, SoCal ViceChair
 Tiffany Sickler, Treasurer
 Aba Ngjissah, Secretary

Communications:

- Ann Crosbie, Nelson Tam

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- Koreen Cea (Chair),
 Renay Grace Rodriguez,
 Gregg Solkovits, Lara Triona

Operations Team:

- Liz Kane, James Moffat,
 Ahmanise Sanati

Programming:

- Sam Davis, Vinita Verma

Statewide Networking:

- Genice Jacobs

Your dues support caucus infrastructure and communications, and membership dues for those in need. Our pin-membership drive has been a great success; please **be in touch if we still owe you yours**, or if you'd like to learn how to obtain one (chair.cademcc@gmail.com).

A shout-out in gratitude to those who have contributed beyond the standard level in 2026:

Benefactor

👤 Mia Bonta
👤 Lanier Coles

👤 Brandee Marckmann
👤 Renay Grace
Rodriguez

👤 Keri Then
👤 Clint Weirick

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👤 Samantha Helton

👤 Genice Jacobs
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👤 Angela Scott
👤 Tiffany Sickler
👤 John Smith
👤 Sybil Smith
👤 Erin Spivey
👤 Analisa Swan

CademCC's current membership numbers 220, including 36 reduced and waived-dues memberships completely offset by generous Patron level members. Your contribution at a level above the "regular", helps sustain membership for all.

Are you from assembly districts: {36, 43, 45, 47, 54, 58}? We Want You! Help us extend our reach to these 6 ADs missing from CademCC membership this year.

To join the Children's Caucus for 2026, click [here](#) to pay membership dues (press on the fifth "+" down), or [here](#) to request waiver of membership dues.

Thank you all for your CademCC support!

Standard Dues
(\$15/annum)

***Update Your Caucus
Membership ~***

Pre-registered
Democrat (Youth;
\$5/annum)

Patron-level Dues
(\$25/annum)

*Dues support our hybrid
programming costs - media*

Mentor-level Dues (\$50/annum)

and subscriptions, conference meeting facilities

Benefactor-level Dues (Lifetime; \$500)

Request of Dues Waiver

CademCC Statement On ICE Incursions

The raids throughout California – from Elementary School graduations, children’s CIF finals, grocery stores, growing fields and immigration courts – unveil an agenda of terror, intimidation, and menace. America’s democracy morphs into totalitarianism before the eyes of our children.

CHIRLA - 213.353.1333
 Los Angeles - 888.624.4752
 Boyle Heights (L.A.) - 323.805.1049
 San Bernardino/Riverside - 909.361.4588
 ORALE (Long Beach) - 562.276.0267
 Orange County - 714.881.1558
 Sta Barbara/Ventura/SLO - 805.870.8855
 Central Valley - 559.206.0151
 Kern County - 661.432.2230
 San Francisco - 415.200.1548
 Contra Costa - 925.900.5151
 Alameda - 510.241.4011
 Sacramento - 916.382.0256
 Immigrant Defenders - 213.833.8283
 GI Rights hotline - 877.447.4487

If you see ICE/HSI, call your Rapid Response Network to alert and protect your community

Follow your Rapid Response Network on social media for information, training, e.g.: @chirla_org, @ocrrn, @rrn_kern

The Children’s Caucus of the Democratic Party of California condemn the attacks upon our communities. **We call for** calm and control by our elected, bi-cameral leaders, who must halt the overreach of our executive branch. Please feel free to share these phone numbers for reporting immigration citations or requesting community assistance.

Pass It On ...

Immigrant and civil rights are very much on the minds of our members, working closely with children and families at risk.



Here is a “red card” of information for you to keep on hand, with printer’s instructions, from the **Immigrant Legal Resource Center**.

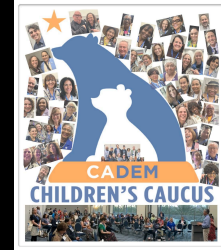
More Caucus links

- Socials:
 - 👉 Locate our growing **WEBSITE here**
 - 👉 Find CDP Children's Caucus on **Facebook here**
 - 👉 Follow us on **Instagram @childrenscaucus here**
 - 👉 Watch our **youtube channel @cdpchildrenscaucus here**
 - 👉 Gaze **@cdpchildrenscaucus.bsky.socials here**
 - 👉 Peruse CademCC's Linktr.ee **@cademchildrenscaucus here**

- Engagement:
 - Download missed newsletters [here](#), [here](#) and [here](#)
 - Prioritize a working committee [here](#)
 - Signup for the email listserv with fellow caucus members [here](#)
 - ...then communicate directly with the membership via [email](#)
- Caucus business:
 - Review the 2024 Annual Children's Caucus Report [here](#)
 - View 2024's recertified Bylaws [here](#)
 - Submit this year's caucus dues [here](#); (request dues waiver [here](#))

A note on membership and inclusion

* You needn't be an elected or appointed delegate to the CDP to belong to the CDP Children's Caucus! We require only your interest in supporting children's issues. *



CDP caucus membership is accessible to all California Democrats. And meeting attendance does not require Convention or Eboard Meeting registration. It is a good way to engage the state Party, without being a voting delegate to it. Dues are collected annually [here](#); request a hardship waiver [here](#). Direct questions to: chair.cademcc@gmail.com. If you no longer wish to receive news from the Children's Caucus, please accept our apologies for troubling you, and simply unsubscribe through the automated link below.



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