



Dear CademCC ...

Folks throughout California and across the nation are worried about the future of IDEA funding (among other federal funding concerns). IDEA, the [Individuals with Disabilities Act of 1990](#), is a massive omnibus set of legislation which provides crucial federal funding for the education of disabled individuals. It ensures adequate support and equity for this integral subset of our general population.

The Act has never been fully funded, see a one-pager about it [here](#) and more information from the federal government [here](#).

With the ascendancy of the ideologues behind Project 2025, there is widespread concern for the future of IDEA altogether.

[Join](#) the Day of Action in Sacramento on 2/19/25 with [IDEA Alliance](#) and [CARSplus](#).

2025 LEGISLATIVE DAY OF ACTION

WEDNESDAY
19 FEB

RAISE YOUR VOICE FOR FULLY FUNDING IDEA!

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

MORNING: LEGISLATIVE MEET & GREET

- Connect with state legislators & policymakers
- Share stories & discuss importance of IDEA funding

AFTERNOON: RALLY FOR IDEA FUNDING

- **Guest Speakers** - Hear from inspiring advocates, educators, & policymakers
- **Exhibitors** - Explore resources & tools to support special education
- **Community Engagement** - Join a vibrant crowd of educators, families, & allies

SIGN UP TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FREE EVENT:


CAPITAL GROUNDS ~ SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA


Direct Representation With the Party;

2025 ADEMS KEY DATES

JANUARY 31, 2025
Electronic Voting Registration CLOSES at 12 p.m.

This election is open to ALL registered California Democrats. For more information, contact adem@cadem.org or visit www.adem.cadem.org!



ADEM25 

This is the time of the political cycle when California's Democrats vote directly for "assembly-district delegates" (ADEMs) to represent them at the state Democratic Party!

If you are a registered Democrat, or would be one if you were able to register to vote, please [register online](#) to vote **NOW** for these direct elections, before **noon on Friday, 1/31/25**.

Weigh in with your vote to elect Party delegates who represent your values, opinions, feelings. VOTE!!!

Many of our Children's Caucus membership is running for ADEMs, and almost all of the caucus' current board. See our member's statements [here](#). And if you are one of our members also running for ADEMs and would like to share with your fellow CademCC members about your candidacy, please complete this form [here](#); it will automatically appear on our Facebook group page [here](#). We'll also batch ADEM candidate's fliers there in [one thread](#).

Children's Caucus 2024 In Review

Your Children's Caucus of the California Democratic Party has been busy! See an archive of our meetings and Conversations with PLEOs (Party Leaders and Elected Officials) on youtube [here](#).

And a recounting of 2024's achievements [here](#) (in process; if not uploaded now, keep trying).

CADEM Children's Caucus 2024 Highlights

Conversation Series with Elected Officials

- o Attorney General Rob Bonta
- o State Superintendent of Instruction Thurmond

Special Meetings

- o Road Show: *Nonpartisan, Down ballot school board races* - presentations to DCCs; meetings with membership
- o *Environmental Justice for Kids*
- o *Countering the Conservative Agenda* - Panel with Diane Ravitch; Dave Jones; Mary Nicely

Regular Meetings

- o San Diego Eboard Summer (virtual), *Family Services, Child Welfare and Mental Health*
- o Summer (virtual) Eboard: *Do Something!*
- o Fall (virtual) Eboard: *Activism In Indian Country*

Candidate Training

- o Specialized for down ballot, nonpartisan races including school/water boards

CADEM Intra-Committee Activities

- o CADEM Legislation Committee; all recommended bills were endorsed
- o Mandatory revision of bylaws: completed

Our meeting before the holidays explored children's issues among the indigenous community in California with Dr Joely Proudfit, Dr Alexandra Pierce and Ms Vanessa Brierty – view the meeting on our [youtube channel](#), and find the many helpful references and links to information and resources presented on-screen and in the chat [here](#).

Join our Conversations

♦ After perusing our [website](#) and [recordings](#), please make a plan to devise, contribute and join our conversations in 2025:

Save The Date for **[February 15, 2025](#)** for our first Conversation of the year, with CA State Assembly Chair of the Education Committee, Honorable Al Muratsuchi (AD 66)

Our CademCC secretary, [Aba Ngissah](#) is hard at work designing our next thematic caucus meeting, to feature CTE, Continuing Technical Education. Held either during the Convention in Anaheim at May's end, or perhaps sooner via Zoom ~ Stay Tuned!

Encourage your own Conversations... and actions!

♦ The Children's Caucus wants to encourage and support you in starting your own Democratic Clubs dedicated to children's issues countywide, or in your own neighborhood. [Orange](#) and [San Diego](#) Counties are blazing the way, Los Angeles is following... who'll be next? Please [reach out](#) if we can help you organize in this specific way around these, our specific issues. Help us to build a network up and down the state watching over our children and [the issues that matter to them](#), where they live.

Organize with US!

♦ The Children's Caucus will be electing new leadership at the annual Convention in Anaheim, May 30-June 1, 2025. If you have an interest in joining our team planning caucus programs and Conversations, guiding caucus actions and Party insight into children's issues, please be in touch with elections Chair, [Koreen Cea](#). Your membership dues must be settled by the end of April to vote – [JoinUS](#) to pay membership dues or request a waiver [here](#). And if you have an interest in getting involved, now's never too late! Feel free to pitch an idea and jump into whatever ongoing action there is: we need you – [talk to us](#)!

Pass It On ...



Without more drastic constitutional amendments and more comprehensive oversight of the communications and information sectors, the Internet will continue to be a free zone of anarchy.

- **NO ABRA LA PUERTA** a un mundo de odio y de odio a un mundo de odio.
- **NO CONTESTE NINGUNA PREGUNTA** de los usuarios de Internet.
- **NO PIERDA NADA** sin antes haberlo con un abogado. Cual tiene el derecho de hablar con un abogado.
- **Si usted es víctima de un delito**, no lo informe a la policía, sino a un abogado.
- **ENTRAME A ESTA TARDELA** por la ventana o por la puerta de la casa.

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More Caucus links

- Socials:
 - 🐼 Locate our growing [WEBSITE here](#)
 - 🐼 Find CDP Children's Caucus on [Facebook here](#)
 - 🐼 Follow us on [Instagram @childrenscaucus here](#)
 - 🐼 [Tweet @ChildrensCaucus here](#)
 - 🐼 Watch our [youtube channel @cdpchildrenscaucus here](#)
- Engagement:
 - 🐼 Download missed newsletters [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 2023-24 Annual Children's Caucus Report [here](#)
 - 🐼 View 2024's recertified Bylaws [here](#)
 - 🐼 Submit this year's caucus dues [here](#); (request dues waiver [here](#))

CademCC Executive Board:

- Sara Roos, Chair
- Matthew Hilliard, NoCal VC
- Ann Crosbie, SoCal VC
- Tiffany Sickler, Treasurer
- Aba Ngissah, Secretary

Elections Chair:

- Koreen Cea

Communications Team:

- Liz Kane
- Ahmanise Sanati
- Nelson Tam

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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