



## ***Dear Children's Caucusers!***

### ***What a Convention, no?!***

Surely we are all feeling the enthusiasm of the rejuvenated Democratic campaign. And now that fall is wearing on and ballots are starting to drop, the sobering consequence of this election *looms....* We can afford nothing but majority control of both federal House and Senate; our kids can afford nothing less. We cannot take our eyes off stateside down ballot, school board and other district, nonpartisan races *for one moment!*

We're here to help with your *door knocking* and *post carding* and *persuading* and *pitching* and *tilting!* JoinUS **THIS SATURDAY** as we talk about *Project 2025* and just what exactly our kids stand to lose from the nightmare scenario it projects.

**JoinUS!**



**DIANE RAVITCH,**  
Former U.S.  
Assistant Secretary  
of Education



**MARY NICELY,**  
Chief of Staff,  
CA State Supt.  
Thurmond



**DAVE JONES,**  
Former CA State  
Insurance  
Commissioner

## **Countering the Conservative Agenda:**

### **Why Children Can't Thrive Under Project 2025**



**Forewarned is forearmed!**

Canvass like our kids' lives  
depend on it (cause they do)

**Saturday, October 5, 2024 @ 9:00am**

~ Please register in advance ~

Zoom registration:

[tinyurl.com/CademCCP2025](https://tinyurl.com/CademCCP2025)

[CADEMChildrensCaucus.org](https://CADEMChildrensCaucus.org)



Please *JoinUS!* for a Zoom Conversation this **Saturday October 5, 2024 at 9am** (PST), with political luminaries expert on these children's issues. In an early morning panel scheduled to allow us time to hit the streets and knock doors, we will hear from:

• **Diane Ravitch**, former Assistant Secretary of Education about the "horrible", multi-faceted P2025, with its goal to wind down federal K12 funding, and stop helping college grads who are drowning in debt;

• **Mary Nicely**, SSPI Thurmond's chief-of-staff, on how the Dept. of Education (ED) currently supports our education system, from IDEA and Title I funding, to improving of teachers' learning conditions and the pursuit of academic excellence, investing in student supports from PK to higher education;

• **Dave Jones**, former California State Insurance Commissioner who will review the threat to MediCal and federal supports to our children's health care and social services.

**Click to REGISTER**

The goal is to forewarn and be forearmed! We all need to be very clear about our kid's vulnerability, what is at stake, and what is threatened. We need to know that – and how – our kid's very most basic civil-, human-, educational- and healthcare-rights are jeopardized by Project 2025. The better to inform our intense work blocking the Heritage Foundation's manifesto.

Please **register in advance – early!** – to attend the discussion with the inestimable Ravitch, Nicely and Jones.

Then **make a plan to hit the streets**, and pull out all the stops in protecting democracy and California's youth.

**Please forward this announcement, to help us promote this special program among all your friends!**

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## **Coming Programs, Allied Resources**

It's not too late to join the **CADEM Voter Protection Team!** Our mission involves hundreds of trained volunteer attorneys and hotline operators, handling questions and fielding potential voter disenfranchisement issues. Our team has been ensuring every vote counts since 1992! Will you join us?

**Sign Up for the VPT Now!** No prior experience necessary.

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- **Meet CADEM for its December 13-15 Virtual Executive Board meeting** online. CademCC will engage some of the recent experience of our indigenous children in California, from schooling to environmental and social welfare concerns. Follow our **website** for more details and **reach out** if you have acquaintance with individuals or groups with important words to share. We want to hear from one and all!
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- **In the works for Convention in the new year** ~ CademCC secretary, **Aba Ngissah**, will lead a forum on Career Technical Education and chronic absenteeism in schools.
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- We will rededicate our educational program to delve into legislation around children's issues, from family services to children's welfare and education.
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- Stay tuned for more of our **PLEO Conversations series** around children's issues. Find past Conversations on our **youtube channel**; future notifications on our **website** or via **email**.
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- Our vulnerable nonpartisan Distract races need vigilance: there is

much we can do as a statewide group with this shared interest! [JoinUS](#), fellow members of the Children's Caucus for 2025 now, and [join with our programs](#) and [Conversations](#). Have an idea you'd like to pursue? We want to support you – be [in touch!](#)

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## Membership News

The Children's Caucus loves our members! Thank you for sharing of your experience and insight, for joining with the membership and collectively working to grow an understanding and effectiveness in the group. Our dues support caucus infrastructure and communications; a special shout-out in gratitude for encouragement beyond the standard level to:

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- Patron:

- 👤 Jim Gallagher
- 👤 Amy Hines-Shaikh
- 👤 Norman Howell
- 👤 Terri Lisagor
- 👤 Aba Ngissah
- 👤 Stacey Sampo
- 👤 Teri Sorey
- 👤 Tiffany Woods

- Mentor:

- 👤 Harini Krishnan
- 👤 Brandee Marckmann
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- 👤 Renay Grace Rodriguez

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We will never name you without explicit permission. If your name is not listed here and should be, please contact [chair.cademcc@gmail.com](mailto:chair.cademcc@gmail.com)

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

To align memberships with CADEM's new calendar-year payment schedule, dues paid Nov/Dec, 2023, have been grandfathered for 2024; dues waivers should be resubmitted for each new calendar year.

As of July 11, 2024, the Children's Caucus counts its membership at 157, including several student memberships! Thank you all...

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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 and communications subscriptions, conference meeting facilities

Benefactor-level Dues  
(Lifetime; \$500)

Mentor-level Dues  
(\$50/annum)

Request of  
Dues Waiver

## 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](#)
- 👉 Join our new [@cdpchildrenscaucus Slack](#) channel
- 👉 Watch our [youtube channel @cdpchildrenscaucus here](#)

- Engagement:

- 👉 Follow regional news E & A Watch postings from [North](#) and [South](#)
- 👉 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](#))

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### **CademCC Executive Board:**

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

### **Elections Chair:**

- Koreen Cea

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- Liz Kane
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- Nelson Tam

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## **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



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