



;Top o' the Morning, CDP Children's Caucus!

Our introductory meetings

Last week in a series of three meetings, members of our working committees introduced themselves and brainstormed ideas for the space defined by the intersection of (a) what we can do as a caucus logistically, (b) what our working committees should do strategically and (c) how to optimize our advantage as a statewide, special-interest caucus of the state's dominant, political Party?

The first two conversations converged around the same action, that defining our vision as a working caucus in 2022/23 is crucial. Accordingly, the current testimony around the CDP Platform being heard in a ***series of meetings*** leading up to the August Visalia ***Executive Board*** meeting (***Join Us!***), will be critical in articulating our own, working mission, too. The plank on ***Children, Young Adults, and Their Families*** is being ***heard on August 6th*** at 10am, and we are organizing to be heard there.

In the end, it is the Platform committee that writes the ***CDP Children's Platform***, but they do so guided by input from Democrats statewide. Our caucus members' expertise in children's issues can influence the shape and direction of the Platform. Our working committee members agreed to offer testimony, and set a meeting to develop our thoughts around these:

Friday Night Platform Committee Meeting:

∞ Children's Caucus **Platform Working Committee**

Zoom (link [HERE](#)); Friday 7/21/23 @ 9pm.

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∞ Review the 2022 CDP Plank [HERE](#), to ground your thinking for our current vision in the caucus' historical focus.

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∞ **Working Committee google doc** for crowd-sourcing ideas around the past and future plank [HERE](#).

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∞ **Children's Plank CDP Testimony**

Zoom (link [HERE](#)); Saturday, 8/6/23 @ 11am.

Our last group of introductory meetings concentrated on the working committee focused on:

School Board Electoral And Meeting Integrity

- We brainstormed ideas for tracking California's +/- 1,000 school districts, their elections and the politicization of their doings.
- We strategized distributing and organizing information through County Central Committees and Democratic Clubs.
- We discussed formulating and sharing best practices and support.

JOIN US! Our working committee on *Electoral Integrity* next meets via Zoom (link [HERE](#)) this **Sunday, 7/23/23 @ 10am.**

We will set some goals and take up tasks. Please help us launch an effective working group aimed at this most critical of issues today: Defending democracy where it is under the fiercest attack – about our public schools.

Harnessing Communications

We are still seeking logistics team volunteers! (Please contact chair.cademcc@gmail.com):

1. **Communications (social media).** Help us to push out the CDP Children's Caucus work and goals.
2. **Zoom/IT.** Calling the technically proficient: be our "ZeeJay"! Please let us harness your expertise, and help us to run hybrid meetings.
3. **Webmaster.** Check out our redesigned website at cademchildrenscaucus.org and help us to grow more of it!

For interactive caucus communications, join our email loop via a one-time,

blank email addressed to: CademCC+subscribe@googlegroups.com (then check email for a verification to initiate approval). Once subscribed, share your own information and discussion with the full caucus via email to CademCC@googlegroups.com .

Further Business

Join us in reviewing and developing the ideology that scaffolds our work:

- **Working Committees.** We are in the process of convening the following five working committees:
 - ∞ Campus safety,
 - ∞ Experiential Issues in Education,
 - ∞ Political/ideological Issues in Education,
 - ∞ Health-related concerns,
 - ∞ Social and Economic JusticeTo join, please complete **THIS FORM** or email: chair.cademcc@gmail.com
 - **Legislation Action.** Review current pending legislation for consideration by the CDP Legislation Action Committee on behalf of the Children's Caucus.
 - **Bylaws Review.** Evaluate our new, standardized bylaws for specificity to Children's Caucus needs.
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Waiting to complete your [CCC focus-committees form](#)? No worries ~ it's never too late to share your passions: Click [HERE](#) to convey which children's issues motivate your zeal for action: JOIN Us!

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](#); hardship waivers are available through 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 link below.



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