



Biliteracy, Multicultural Competency, and Educational Equity for All!



Important Upcoming Dates in this Newsletter:

January-May—[Monthly CABE ELD Virtual Series](#)

February 8—[MCAP Biliteracy Network for Educators and Administrators](#)

February 13—[Deadline to submit student artwork for CABE 2023](#)

February 18—[Cash for College](#), Dinero para el colegio: taller virtual, gratuito, y bilingüe para familias

February 28—[MCAP: El Sello Estatal de Biliteracidad y otras trayectorias para promover el bilingüismo](#)

March 18—Deadline to save on CABE 2023 flights at [Southwest Airlines](#)

What's new in Sacramento that impacts education? Find out here...



CABE Legislative Advocate Report

by Jennifer Baker

- CABE 2023 Sponsored Legislation
- Budget Proposal Protects Education Funding
- Legislative Committee Chairs/Members Announced

[Read Report](#)

Necesitas dinero para el colegio?...

Febrero 18, 2023 @ 10 - 11:30 AM

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¿Necesitas dinero para el colegio?

¡Asiste al siguiente taller virtual, **gratuito** y bilingüe de Cash for College por medio de el evento para obtener respuestas a tus preguntas sobre **FAFSA**, **la Solicitud Dream Act de California (CADAA)**, o el **Chafee Grant** para Foster Youth!

La fecha límite de prioridad para las becas Cal Grant es el 2 de Marzo*.



*Los estudiantes de colegios comunitarios en California pueden solicitar hasta el **2 de Septiembre**.

Escanea el código QR o regístrate y busca más información en:

https://csac-ca.gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_8574XCUQSiq_AQFETw47nw



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Send us your student artwork by February 13th...

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CABE 2023

Testimonios: The Power of Our Stories, Our Art, and Our Dreams

LONG BEACH CONVENTION CENTER • MARCH 22-25, 2023

Reminder—CABE members receive a 15% discount on registration!





HAVE YOUR STUDENT'S ART DISPLAYED AT CABE 2023

Student Artwork Needed – Pre-K through 12th Grade



CABE is in search of artwork from student artists for the 2023 CABE Conference.

This year's theme is
**"Testimonios: The Power of Our Stories,
Our Art, and Our Dreams"**

Submission Deadline: February 13, 2023

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HOTEL RESERVATIONS

CABE HAS MORE HOTEL PARTNERS!

Rates available until deadline, or if the hotels
reach their max capacity. *(Deadline varies per hotel)*

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SAVE on your CUBE 2023 flights

CUBE HAS PARTNERED WITH SOUTHWEST AIRLINES
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Book your flights online using **Company ID**
(99322823) and receive special discounted rates.

BOOK YOUR FLIGHT

Make your reservation by March 18, 2023

Travel Discount Eligible Dates: March 18th – March 27th, 2023

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MORE DETAILS**

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CUBE 2023

FREE Testimonios: The Power of Our Stories, Our Art, and Our Dreams

Asian Languages Institute

Saturday, March 25, 2023 - 9:00am - 12:00pm (PST)
In Person – Long Beach, CA

**Calling all TK-12 teachers,
and school leaders of
Asian Language Programs!**

Questions?
Dr. Annie Duong
aduong@sjcoe.net
Sara Kennedy
sara@gcube.org

**Register for Free by
February, 24, 2023!**

Download flyer for
more information!
bit.ly/cubeali2023flyer

Continental Breakfast! Raffles!

Presented by the CUBE Asian Languages Roundtable
& the Multilingual California Alliance Project (MCAP)

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Register for Free

Online January–May, register for all four and get a discount...

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING FOR TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS OF
PRE-K TO 12TH GRADE ENGLISH LEARNERS AND EMERGENT BILINGUALSREGISTRATION
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LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT
(ELD) VIRTUAL SERIESFOUR ESSENTIAL COMPONENTS
OF ELD INSTRUCTIONS

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Register Today

Join us—rescheduled in April...

CABA VIRTUAL RACIAL EQUITY SERIES

NEW
DATES!

TAKING ANTI-RACIST EDUCATION SERIOUSLY

Thursdays: April 13, April 20 and April 27 | 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm (PDT)

Enid Lee, *Enid Lee Consultants*

Enid Lee specializes in an anti-racist education and organizational change by professional learning and community building. Enid is a specialist in the field, a leadership coach, and writer. She consults internationally on equitable education with particular emphasis on language, race, and culture, and their roles in education.

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Join us VIRTUALLY!

In this three-part virtual interactive series we will engage in conversation and practices that allow us to continue to develop our capacity, consciousness, and courage to:

1. Recognize and incorporate the cultural strengths and brilliance of all students in our interactions and instruction.
2. Identify and interrupt inequitable systems which limit opportunity for growth and learning especially among those who are on the margins of our classrooms.
3. Communicate and collaborate with members of our school community and families to create an anti-racist school climate and to address the challenges to anti-racism that educators face today.

Receive university credit from Whittier College
[click here](#) for more information



Register by April 4, 2023, and receive a complimentary set of 54 Equity Cards, "Checking and Changing Systems," with questions that lead us to TALK about equity every day and in every classroom. Card will arrive by the second day of the series.

COST: \$175 FOR THE SERIES

REGISTER TODAY!

Please join us in congratulating NABE Teacher of the Year...

CABE is proud to announce that

CABE 2022 Teacher of the Year

has been selected as

NABE 2023

Bilingual Teacher of the Year!

*Sonia will receive her
award on February 24th
in Portland at the
NABE Conference.*

¡Felicidades, Sonia!

Sonia Águila-González

**Canalino Elementary School
Carpinteria Unified School District**



CABE welcomes new FACE Director...

CABE welcomes
Dr. David Calvo
**as our new Director of
Family and Community Engagement!**



**CABE will greatly benefit from his leadership with
parents, families, educators, and partners across
the state and nation.**

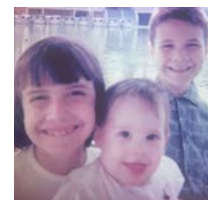
CONGRATULATIONS, DAVID!

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Meet Dr. MariaElena Esquer...



Dr. MariaElena Esquer was born in Los Angeles, the daughter of Cuban immigrants and the youngest of three children. Her mother, a primary grades elementary teacher, and her father, an accountant/auditor, were devout Catholics who were forced to flee communist persecution after other family members were jailed and/or disappeared. Her parents and older siblings immigrated to the US with the assistance of uncles both in Mexico and California who sponsored them.



The family spoke only Spanish at home and Elena learned English at a Catholic school in a "sink or swim" academic environment. She recalls, "Sister Marie Paul told me, 'You are pulling my leg, I'll have to tell your Dad.' I was terrified that he would think I had accosted the teacher,



out but it turned okay after the teacher explained to him the meaning of the idiom." Her teachers constantly corrected her when she was reading aloud, and she never felt that her home language was valued. She struggled with test anxiety and desperately wanted to show what she knew but the language barrier prevented her from doing so. She remembers frequently asking, "Can I show you in Spanish what I've learned?" When they immigrated from Havana, her parents lost everything and highly valued the one thing they were able to keep—their education. Her father always used to tell his children, "No one can take away from you what is in your head."



Elena says that she was a nerdy kid, always with her face in a book and she is still an avid reader today. After high school, she attended Los Angeles Community College (LACC) and worked part-time at a childcare center. A year later, she met her husband who proposed on the third date! As he had enlisted in the Army, he left shortly afterward for basic training. They married five months later and have been together for 39 years. The family later moved to Germany where he was stationed and upon their return, Elena returned to LACC, had four children, then moved to Palmdale. She got an A.A. in Humanities, transferred to Cal State North Ridge where she earned a B.A. in sociology, a B.A. in psychology, and a minor in criminology. At that time, her goal was to work as a civilian profiler for the FBI. During her FBI advisement period, she worked as a teacher during class size reduction. After one week of teaching, she called the FBI and retracted her application. She explains, "I knew my place was in the classroom and that I needed to be serving kids."

After teaching 2nd and 5th grades for ten years and serving as associate principal for three years where she learned from "two really amazing principals," she became the principal of a dual language immersion school for seven years before serving for eight years in her current position as Superintendent of Educational Services. Dr. Esquer received her MA in Educational Administration from CSU Bakersfield and last December was awarded an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership from UCLA.



Elena's first conference experience was at CAFE when her principal sent her to learn more strategies for working with English learners. While in the LA Convention Center, she remembers thinking about how much better she could be teaching. "I learned so much about language acquisition and ELs and it took me back to my own struggles in school. It was a great experience and when I returned to school on Monday, I immediately started implementing the strategies I'd learned." When asked why she's served two terms on the CAFE Board as Region V Representative, she replied, "I wanted to serve on the board because service is the highest form of learning, empathy, compassion, commitment, and the desire to do for others. The two chapters I serve, Ventura Chapter #48 and Antelope Valley Chapter #58, are full of incredible people relentlessly leading the way for our English learner communities of students and families. As a CAFE familia, we have so much impact on students, and it is an honor for me to serve on the board and be a part of that."

In her free time, Elena loves to read "sappy" romance novels and visit Disneyland, her "happy place," with her husband George, a high school biology teacher, her children, Kristina (37), a NASA logistics specialist; Steven (36), a physical therapist; Jessica (32), a veterinary pharmaceutical technician; and Michael (30), a musician/cellist who is pursuing an advanced music degree and her four grandchildren (on the right), Elijah (16), Anjalia (12), Mateo (7), and Liliana (3). The family still loves to play board games together, go to movies, and play with their two coon hounds, Monkey and Desi.





Is it time to renew your CABE membership?....



Are You a CABE Member?

For more information, please contact
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Join the CABE Family! Through your membership dues and involvement, you have the opportunity to make integral contributions towards positive educational change for English language learners and biliteracy programs. Membership benefits include:

- Elections: Vote and Run for Board of Directors
- Exclusive Members-Only Events
- Free K-12 Teaching Resources
- Chapter Involvement
- CABE Corner Monthly e-Newsletter
- Multilingual Educator
- Policy and Legislative Updates
- Professional Learning Services
- Discounts
- CABE Membership Reception
- Scholarship Opportunities
- Affiliate Group Involvement

Renew or Become a Member Today!

Learn about what's happening in local CABE Chapters....



Chapter and Affiliate Highlights

CABTE Affiliate #100
California Association for Bilingual Teacher Education

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**CABTE and CABE invite
graduate students to present
their research in a poster
session at CABE 2023.**

**Scan the code for
more information
and to submit an
application.**



**Deadline:
February 20, 2023**

**Attention,
Graduate
Students!**
**Present your
research
in the
CABTE/CABE
Poster Session
at CABE 2023
in Long Beach!**

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Yolo/Woodland CABE Chapter #76, Region 1



Board and General Membership Virtual Meetings on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. CABE Yolo/Woodland Chapter 76 will have a virtual membership meeting to plan and discuss the remainder of this year's chapter activities. The main topics for the meeting will be:

- Scholarship Fundraisers
- CABE 2023 Conference, Long Beach, March 22 - 25, 2023

- Chapter 76 High School Scholarship Committee
- 19st Annual Día del Niño y de la Niña Fair, Friday, April 28, 2023, Woodland, CA

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Facebook: CABE Woodland



Chapter 76 High School Scholarship Fundraiser

Each year Chapter 76 provides at least two scholarships to graduating seniors who are pursuing a career in the teaching profession in programs with students whose primary language is other than English. During the year we have fundraisers and ask for donations from the community.



Día del Niño y de la Niña Committee Zoom Meetings

Our next virtual meeting for the 19th annual celebration of “Día del Niño y de la Niña” will be held in mid-February. The event will take place from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday April 28th at Ferns Park located on 750 W. Southwood Drive, Woodland, CA. Each child in attendance will receive a free book and a take home craft kit.

Many community agencies will be available to provide families with information and resources.

SFABE (San Francisco) CABE Chapter #23, Region 1



Check out the latest issue of SFABE's newsletter...

[February Newsletter](#)

Other items of interest to the CABE Community...

Interested in participating in the field test of California's Observation Protocol for Teachers of English Learners (OPTEL)?



The California Department of Education and WestEd are looking for teachers with a range of teaching experience, from all grade levels (TK-12) and subject areas, who currently teach EL students (including students with disabilities) at all English proficiency levels to field test a new observation protocol focused on language use in the classroom.

*Scan this code or
click the links in this post to
learn more about OPTEL
and how to participate in
field testing...*



Attention, educators in California!

We would greatly appreciate your assistance in recruitment of educators currently teaching EL students to participate in the 2023 field test of the Observation Protocol for Teachers of English Learners (OPTEL), the observation protocol designed to support educators in monitoring and evaluating academic language use of EL students, per the requirements of California Education Code (EC) Section 313.3.

CDE OPTEL Webpage:

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/el/t3/optel.asp>

OPTEL Flyer:

<https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/el/t3/documents/optelflyer.pdf>

Join OPTEL Participation Interest

List: <https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/f7c72811ba834b2084b804dfef2d0940>

Getting input from educators in the field is so important when it comes to creating high quality, relevant tools to inform our practice and improve our programs for student support. Please pass on the word to your colleagues!

A new guide intended for English learner and dual language learner advocacy organizations and individual advocates that provides guidance on how to approach and implement narrative change...

English Learner Narrative Change Guide

Fall 2022



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Comic Corner...



Campbell

"It's Valentine's Day, Miss Hanover.
May we dot our i's with little hearts?"



Campbell

"It's for my teacher. Do you have one with
love spelled right?"



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