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## Pell and Contreras-Smith Are Now Co-Superintendents

Susanna Contreras-Smith joined Cleeve Pell as Co-Superintendent Thursday, January 17. The Board of Education offered each a contract through 2016. The Board's sentiment was that once Co-Superintendent

Bo Henke retired, the District would continue the practice of dual chief officers. Contreras-Smith's former cabinet position of Associate Superintendent was not filled. The remaining cabinet positions are Deputy Superintendent Art Revueltas, Business Manager and Assistant Superintendents Mike Cobarubias, Cheryl Plotkin, Jill Rojas, and Deborah De La Torre.



## Blanche Chester Teacher Advocate Nominations Are On-Line Winner Will Receive \$100 for School Supplies

Beginning this year you can submit a Blanche Chester Teacher Advocate Award Nomination on-line. Simply go to [MontebelloTeachers.org](http://MontebelloTeachers.org) and nominate yourself or a colleague or complete the form below and return it to the MTA office by **Tuesday, February 26**. This honor is awarded to individuals who demonstrate strong Bargaining Unit member advocacy at their site and throughout the Association. Nominees and supporters of nominees will be invited to submit testimonial thoughts on-line in March and April.

A committee of past Blanche Chester winners will determine the winner based on input from members. The announcement will be made at the May 21 Council meeting. **The winner will receive a plaque and \$100 toward instructional supplies.**

Paul McKernan.....1992	Lois Wankovsky.....2002
Patricia Knapp.....1993	Pat Tonelli.....2003
Robin GrayBallard.....1994	Betty Kirschner.....2004
Karen van der Baan.....1995	Sharon Ramirez.....2005
Linda Moran.....1996	Marcia Ugalde.....2006
María Cortes.....1997	Walt Lowery.....2007
David Lebow.....1998	Horacio Perez.....2008
Frank van der Baan.....1999	Elizabeth Gasca.....2009
Mary Dupuis.....2000	Terry SalasOrtiz.....2010
Juan Gastelum.....2001	John Slevin.....2011
JoAnn Barro.....2001	Rita Galvan.....2012

**Nominate An Outstanding Teacher Advocate for the Blanche Chester Award**  
*Go to [Montebelloteachers.org](http://Montebelloteachers.org) or Return this form to the MTA office no later than Tuesday February 26*

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ Site \_\_\_\_\_ for the Blanche Chester Award.  
*(Current Members of the 2012-2013 Executive Committee and previous winners are not eligible.)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Site \_\_\_\_\_ Extension \_\_\_\_\_

**California Teachers Association and the  
Southeastern Service Center Council  
Present the.....**

# Special Ed Issues Workshop

*Facilitator: Angela Marese Boyle, CTA NODD Regional UniServ Staff*

Special and general educators will  
“unwrap” the impact and implications of  
state and federal special education law.



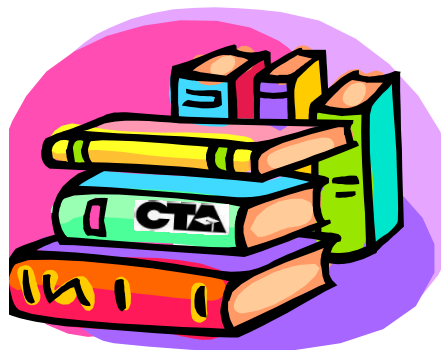
**Topics Covered Will Include:**

Teacher rights, IEP's, Discipline,  
Changes to Service Delivery, and Response to Intervention.  
This session will enlighten and empower educators.

**Date: Wednesday, February 13, 2013**

**Time: 4:00-5:30PM**

**Place: CTA office  
11745 E. Telegraph Rd.  
Santa Fe Springs**



**RSVP by February 11, 2013 to Tina Martinez-Najera  
at (562) 478-1346 or e-mail [tmartinez@cta.org](mailto:tmartinez@cta.org).**