



CUCPTSA LEGISLATION/ADVOCACY TEAM
December 2022
Monthly meeting Friday, December 2, 2022 @ 9:30am
Via Zoom Only
Meeting ID: 582 298 5325 Password: STALLIONS

In Local News:

NEXT CUSD REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING is Wednesday, **December 14, 2022 @ 7PM**. Agenda will be found here once it is posted:
<https://www.capousd.org/Board/Board-Meetings/2022-23-Board-Meeting-Agendas--Minutes/index.html>

Agendas from the most recent Board of Trustee meetings can be found here:

November 9th Regular Board Meeting:

<https://www.capousd.org/documents/Board/2022-2023%20Board%20Agendas/November-9-2022-Regular-Board-Meeting-Agenda-Listing.pdf>

October 19th Regular Board Meeting:

<https://www.capousd.org/documents/Board/2022-2023%20Board%20Agendas/October-19-2022-Regular-Board-Meeting-Agenda-Listing.pdf>

September 21st Regular Board Meeting:

<https://www.capousd.org/documents/Board/2022-2023%20Board%20Agendas/September-21-2022-Regular-Board-Meeting-Agenda-Listing.pdf>

Minutes and Audio Recordings of Meetings can be found at

https://capousd.ca.schoolloop.com/pf4/cms2/view_page?d=x&group_id=15140162688&vdid=wi10b1qsopu12s#2021-22

Minutes are listed once approved, audio is typically posted within a day or two of the meeting. Also, on this page are links to 2020-2021 minutes/agendas/audio and previous years.

CUCPTSA Legislation/Advocacy Racial Equity Book Club:

For our next discussion we are reading "Signs Preceding The End of the World" by Yuri Herrera, translated by Lisa Dillman.

Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at 8pm - we are holding a single meeting for this book, and hope you can join us at this time.

If you would like to attend, please contact Michele Ploessel-Campbell by email myshel@ix.netcom.com.

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<https://cusdinsider.org>

Education Foundation Contributes \$250k for Library Renovations at SC High

by: C. Jayden Smith San Clemente Times

<https://www.sanclementetimes.com/education-foundation-contributes-250k-for-library-renovations-at-sc-high/>

November 2022 "Advocacy Communicator"

<https://www.fourthdistrictpta.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Advocacy-Communicator-NOV-2022-Final.pdf>

Back issues of the Communicator can be found at:
<http://www.fourthdistrictpta.org/advocacy-communicator/>

Talking Points for Legislative Chairs, November 2022 *at the time of publication of this report, the DECEMBER *Advocacy Communicator* was not available

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Details are in the November issue of the *Advocacy Communicator*.

- Our district is getting a lot of extra money this year to deal with the effects of the pandemic. We need to get involved in the development of our district's Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP "ell-cap") so we know how the money is being spent. The *Communicator* lists a lot of resources to help us do this.
- The next Advocacy Forum is coming up on November 18 at 9:30 a.m. There will be a panel of Orange County school district superintendents. It's always really interesting to hear about what's going on in our Orange County school districts.
- The Orange County Department of Education website has a page called The 101 with information on various topics, including sexual health education, ethnic studies, immunizations, and school district governance. It's a good place to check out the validity of rumors that are going around.
- You probably heard that student test scores are down nationwide. California did a little better. National PTA President Anna King says that strong family-school partnerships are needed to deal with the situation. The newsletter also has links to articles about state and Orange County test results.
- The *Communicator* has a list of some of the bills that California State PTA supported that were passed into law.
- Sacramento Safari is coming up in February. Are we sending someone?

In State News:

UNOFFICIAL ELECTION RESULTS FROM November 8, 2022!

ocvote.gov

CA BALLOT Initiatives: CAPTA Takes a SUPPORT Position on these ballot measures:

California State PTA is urging yes votes on two of the propositions on the November ballot. **Prop 28** would provide new funding to assure that all students in kindergarten through high school get arts and music instruction.

PASSED

Prop. 31 is a referendum that asks voters to approve SB 793, which bans the sale of flavored tobacco products. CAPTA is a strong supporter of SB 793 because flavored tobacco products are enticing many of our young people to begin smoking. Tobacco companies have spent more than \$21 million to try to keep this law from going into effect. Vote "yes" to enforce the ban of the sale of flavored tobacco products.

THANK YOU, VOTERS! CALIFORNIA KIDS' WIN WITH THE NOVEMBER 8TH PASSAGE OF PROP 28 & PROP 31!

Redistricting: Link to the maps:

https://www.wedrawthelinesca.org/final_maps

CAPTA Legislative Action Committee Bill Report- This report outlines the California State PTA's positions and activities on state legislation this year. <https://s3.amazonaws.com/downloads.capta.org/leg/California+State+PTA+Final+LAC+Report+2022.pdf>

At the National Level and National PTA:

The Fentanyl Crisis:

State, county issue warnings on rainbow fentanyl By: Jimmy Knodel

Public health and law enforcement agencies throughout California have issued warnings on a recent trend of brightly-colored fentanyl pills being distributed. Rainbow fentanyl comes in a variety of colors (yellow, blue, red) and resembles candy or sidewalk chalk, making it appealing to school-age children. Fentanyl is an opioid that is the leading cause of death of children 17 years and younger, and a lethal dose is just 2 mg in size.

<https://cusdinsider.org/cdph-ocsd-issued-warnings-on-rainbow-fentanyl/>

"Dead on Arrival" <https://anfhelp.org>

a short film public service announcement by Dominic Tierno and Christine Wood. *"Dead on Arrival"* is a short film about fentanyl's deadly role in the U.S. illicit drug market.

OC SHERIFF HOSTS INAUGURAL FENTANYL FORUM TO EDUCATE, EMPOWER

by: [ocsheriff.org](https://www.ocsheriff.org) The Orange County Sheriff's Department on Nov. 4 hosted the first countywide effort to rally the community in the fight against fentanyl.

<https://www.ocsheriff.gov/news/oc-sheriff-hosts-inaugural-fentanyl-forum-educate-empower>

DEA Laboratory Testing Reveals that 6 out of 10 Fentanyl-Laced Fake Prescription Pills Now Contain a Potentially Lethal Dose of Fentanyl

by: DEA.gov "One Pill Can Kill" <https://www.dea.gov/onepill>

Fighting fentanyl: Schools tackle opioid crisis head-on by [Kara Arundel](#) , [Shaun Lucas](#) and [Jasmine Ye Han](#) K-12 Dive

When two 8th grade students died within days of each other in 2016 after using synthetic opioids, the Park City School District in Utah went into full crisis response mode.

https://www.k12dive.com/news/fighting-fentanyl-schools-tackle-opioid-crisis-head-on/634647/?utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Issue:%202022-10-31%20K-12%20Dive%20%5Bissue:45640%5D&utm_term=K-12%20Dive

Education on fentanyl, other drugs often optional in California schools, if offered at all by Carolyn Jones Edsource

Even as fentanyl overdoses among young people have skyrocketed in recent years, health education remains optional in most California schools, with some students receiving comprehensive education on the dangers of substance use and other students receiving scant, if any, instruction on the topic.

*Note: this article uses the word "overdose". Amy Neville and other parent advocates that educate the public on this substance, refer to it as a poison. "Fentanyl poisoning" is a term that is more commonly used now.

<https://edsource.org/2022/education-on-fentanyl-other-drugs-often-optional-in-schools-if-offered-at-all/679216>

The 117th Congress is considering the following legislation items. The National PTA is supporting (green checkmarks) or opposing (red x) the following items:

Child Health and Safety

[H.R. 586: STANDUP Act of 2021](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

[H.R. 1319: American Rescue Plan Act of 2021](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 3451: To protect children affected by immigration enforcement actions.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 3452: To amend part E of title IV of the Social Security Act to ensure that immigration status alone does not disqualify a parent, legal guardian, or relative from being a placement for a foster child, to authorize discretion to a State, county, or other political subdivision of a State to delay filing for termination of parental rights in foster care cases in which an otherwise fit and willing parent or legal guardian has been deported or is involved in \(including detention pursuant to\) an immigration](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 4019: To protect and educate children about the dangers of e-cigarettes and other electronic nicotine delivery systems, and for other purposes.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 4381: To effectively staff the public elementary schools and secondary schools of the United States with school-based mental health services providers.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 4742: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a tax on nicotine used in vaping, etc.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 4786: RISE Act of 2021](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 5463: To amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to require a study of the time and duration of school lunch periods, and for other purposes.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 5526: Improving Mental Health and Wellness in Schools Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 5611: Protecting Student Athletes From Concussions Act of 2020](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 5919: Early Childhood Nutrition Improvement Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 6526: Healthy Meal Time Act of 2022](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 6608: Scratch Cooked Meals for Students Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 6613: Keeping School Meals Flexible Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [HR 5216: Protecting Student Athletes From Concussions Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [HR 6608: Scratch Cooked Meals for Students Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [S. 441: STURDY Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [S. 788: A bill to prohibit discrimination on the basis of sex, gender identity, and sexual orientation, and for other purposes.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 1119: A bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to prohibit the stigmatization of children who are unable to pay for meals.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 1811: Increasing Access to Mental Health in Schools Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [S. 1832: A bill to protect and educate children about the dangers of e-cigarettes and other electronic nicotine delivery systems, and for other purposes.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 2097: Protecting Sensitive Locations Act](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 2492: Suicide Training and Awareness Nationally Delivered for Universal Prevention Act of 2019](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 2499: A bill to effectively staff the public elementary schools and secondary schools of the United States with school-based mental health services providers.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 2548: A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to address and take action to prevent bullying and harassment of students.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 2600: A bill to promote minimum State requirements for the prevention and treatment of concussions caused by participation in school sports, and for other purposes.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 2930: Improving Mental Health and Wellness in Schools Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [S. 3979: Support Kids Not Red Tape Act of 2022](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

Early Learning and Childhood Education

✓ [H.Con.Res. 4: Supporting the goals and ideals of No Name-Calling Week in bringing attention to name-calling of all kinds and providing schools with the tools and inspiration to launch an ongoing dialogue about ways to eliminate name-calling, bullying, and harassment in their communities.](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [HR 2817: To amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 and the Head Start Act to promote child care and early learning, and for other purposes.](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [S. 1360: Child Care for Working Families Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

Education Technology and Student Data Privacy

✓ [S. 558: CAMRA Act](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 738: A bill to require the Federal Communications Commission to make the provision of Wi-Fi access on school buses eligible for E-rate support.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 1167: A bill to require the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information to establish a State Digital Equity Capacity Grant Program, and for other purposes.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

Elementary and Secondary Education

✓ [H.R. 3322: Renew America's Schools Act of 2019](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 4220: Chronic Absenteeism Reduction in Every School \(CARES\) Act](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 6214: Elementary and Secondary School Counseling Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 6532: To authorize funding for section 619 and part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.Res. 29: Supporting the teaching of climate change in schools.](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

● [S. 5: Educational Opportunities Act](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

● [S. 213: A bill to amend the SOAR Act.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 235: Teachers Are Leaders Act](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 266: A bill to provide for the long-term improvement of public school facilities, and for other purposes.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 579: A bill to provide grants to eligible local educational agencies to help public schools reduce class size in the early elementary grades, and for other purposes.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 1299: A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide grants to local educational agencies to encourage girls and underrepresented minorities to pursue studies and careers in STEM fields.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 1890: Renew America's Schools Act of 2019](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 2784: Family Friendly Schools Act](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 3356: Elementary and Secondary School Counseling Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [SRES 520: A resolution designating the week of February 21 through February 25, 2022, as "Public Schools Week".](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [HRES 939: Expressing support for the designation of the week of February 21 through February 25, 2022, as "Public Schools Week".](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

Federal Investments in Education

✓ [H.R. 604: Reopen and Rebuild America's Schools Act of 2021](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 764: Keep Our PACT Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 3647: Impact Aid Infrastructure Act](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 5581: Arts Education for All Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [S. 72: Keep Our PACT Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [S. 96: Reopen and Rebuild America's Schools Act of 2021](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [S. 1172: A bill to require full funding of part A of title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

Gun Safety and Violence Prevention

✓ [H.R. 8: Bipartisan Background Checks Act of 2021](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 825: Gun Violence Prevention Research Act of 2021](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 1446: Enhanced Background Checks Act of 2021](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [H.R. 5428: School Shooting Safety and Preparedness Act](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [S. 42: Background Check Expansion Act](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 66: Assault Weapons Ban of 2019](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 184: Gun Violence Prevention Research Act](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 281: Gun Violence Prevention Research Act of 2021](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [S. 506: Extreme Risk Protection Order Act of 2019](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

Post-Secondary Access and Opportunity

✓ [S. 874: Dream Act of 2019](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

Special Education

✓ [H.R. 3086: To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide students with disabilities and their families with access to critical information needed to select the right college and succeed once enrolled.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 4107: To authorize funding for section 619 and part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [H.R. 5739: To amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to change certain Federal Pell Grant requirements for certain students with disabilities, and for other purposes.](#) | 117th Congress (2021-2022)

✓ [S. 866: A bill to amend part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to provide full Federal funding of such part.](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)

✓ [S. 1585: RISE Act of 2019](#) | 116th Congress (2019-2020)