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# District Science Leadership CoP Meeting Agenda

[All Sciences ~ All Students ]

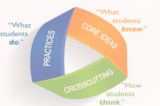
A STEM Initiative of Region 10

September 20, 2023

WiFi Portal: none

**Advancing Equity and Access in Science Education: Leveraging our Community of Practice to Support NGSS Implementation strategies for all students via pre-determined Key Behaviors.**

**Facilitators:** Yamileth Shimojyo (RCOE), Mariano Aranda (SBCSS)





# Region 10 Science Leadership : Better Together!

## Facilitators/Support Staff



**Kelley Ambriz**  
Administrator's Secretary  
RCOE



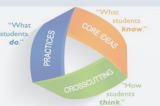
**Mariano Aranda**  
Science Consultant  
SBCSS



**Michelle Sanchez**  
Administrator's Secretary  
RCOE



**Yamileth Shimojyo**  
STEM Administrator  
RCOE





## DSL Community of Practice Goals 23-24

- **Goal 1** - Implementation of high quality science instructional strategies in Region 10
- **Goal 2** - Building leadership capacity of our network members
- **Goal 3** - Regional advocacy efforts toward the inclusion of science instruction, K-12
- **Goal 4** - Connect with various STEM partners in our region to gain knowledge about industries, colleges and education partners that provide services to students



# DSL Community of Practice Meeting Locations/Dates, 23-24

Dates	Sponsor Partner Locations	Registration Links
<b>September 20, 2023</b>	<b><u><a href="#">Flabob Airport</a></u></b>	<b><u><a href="https://events.rcoe.us/DSL2023-24-FLABOB">https://events.rcoe.us/DSL2023-24-FLABOB</a></u></b>
<b>November 16, 2023</b>	<b><u><a href="#">Esri</a></u></b>	<b><u><a href="https://www.k12oms.org">Science (k12oms.org)</a></u></b>
<b>February 7, 2024</b>	<b><u><a href="#">UCR MESA</a></u></b>	<b><u><a href="https://events.rcoe.us/DSL2023-24-UCRMESA">https://events.rcoe.us/DSL2023-24-UCRMESA</a></u></b>
<b>April 24, 2024</b>	<b><u><a href="#">La Brea Tar Pits</a></u></b>	<b><u><a href="https://sbcss.k12oms.org/31-241231">https://sbcss.k12oms.org/31-241231</a></u></b>



# Engage : Opening Address by our Host

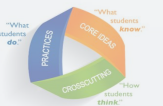
9:30 - 11:30

## Opening Address:

Nina Brentham,  
Chief Financial Officer & Director of Youth Programs

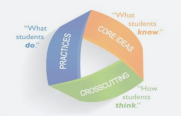
## Engage/Explore:

- Background on the Tom Wathen Center @ Flabob Airport
- Two Rotations: Tour & Hands-On Session





# Lunch! @ the Flabob Cafe





**Explain:**

# Statewide Update

- ❖ CISC Science Subcommittee UPDATE
  - Mathematics, Science and CS Professional Learning Grant
  - CAST Interim Assessments
    - Available for Preview now!





## Interim Assessments - At-a-Glance

- Smarter Balanced ELA
- Smarter Balanced mathematics
- **CAST, p. 8**
- ELPAC

### 2023–24 Interim Assessments At-a-Glance

#### CAST

During the 2023–24 school year, there will be 9 CAST Interim Assessment (CAST IA) forms available, each assessing one or more science domains. The CAST IAs assess three-dimensional Performance Expectations. The Grade 3 CAST IA—I, Grade 4 CAST IA—I, and Grade 5 CAST IA—I assessments will include content in Earth and Space Sciences, Life Sciences, and Physical Sciences. The table below lists the available CAST IAs by grade level or grade span.



CAST IAs

Assessment Name	Grade Three	Grade Four	Grade Five	Middle School (Grades Six Through Eight)	High School (Grades Nine Through Twelve)
Grade 3 CAST IA—I	Yes	No	No	No	No
Grade 4 CAST IA—I	No	Yes	No	No	No
Grade 5 CAST IA—I	No	No	Yes	No	No
Middle School CAST IA—Earth and Space Sciences I	No	No	No	Yes	No
Middle School CAST IA—Life Sciences I	No	No	No	Yes	No
Middle School CAST IA—Physical Sciences I	No	No	No	Yes	No
High School CAST IA—Earth and Space Sciences I	No	No	No	No	Yes
High School CAST IA—Life Sciences I	No	No	No	No	Yes
High School CAST IA—Physical Sciences I	No	No	No	No	Yes

[2023–24 Interim Assessments At-a-Glance \(PDF\)](#) (July 2023)

This document lists, by grade level or grade span, all available CAASPP and ELPAC Interim Assessments.



# CAST Interim Assessment Resources

**Note: the CAST Interim Assessments are now available for preview in the Interim Assessment Viewing System. Training guides, exemplars, and answer keys are also available now in TOMS. The CAST Interim Assessments will be fully available to administer and generate results in late October, 2023.**

- The CAST Interim Assessments in grades three, four, and five will each assess all three science domains.
- Middle school and high school will each have three interim assessments that assess a single science domain.
- Each CAST interim assessment will consist of two segments: one discrete segment and one performance task (PT) segment.
- The PT consists of four to six items, including one constructed response item worth 2 points that must be hand-scored.



# Interim Assessment Viewing System

The Interim Assessment Viewing System contains all of the Smarter Balanced Interim Assessments. It is designed to allow teachers to see the interim assessments and understand the types of questions on the IABs, Focused IABs, and the ICAs and the scope of the content on an interim assessment. It allows teachers to better gauge when to administer a specific interim assessment.





# Lets Dig into the Resources!

## Blueprints

- [CAST Interim Assessment Blueprint \(PDF\)](#) (January 2023)

**What is it?**

**What is its Implementation Potential?**

## Item Specifications

Item specifications describe how items for the CAST are developed to assess the California Next Generation Science Standards (CA NGSS).

[CAST Item Specifications](#) web page

## CAST Constructed Response Annotated Examples

These annotated examples were created for selected constructed response items on the CAST practice tests. Practice test scoring guides and more can be found on the [Online Practice Test Scoring Guides, PFAs, and DFAs](#) web page.

- [CAST: Practice Test Constructed Response Annotated Examples–Grade Five \(PDF\)](#)
- [CAST: Practice Test Constructed Response Annotated Examples–Grade Eight \(PDF\)](#)
- [CAST: Practice Test Constructed Response Annotated Examples–High School \(PDF\)](#)



# CA Assessment Accessibility Resource Matrix

The [California Assessment Accessibility Resources Matrix](#) (DOCX) displays the embedded and non-embedded universal tools, designated supports, and accommodations (UDAs) allowed as part of the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) and English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) for 2022–23. **(The 2023–24 matrix will be available soon).**



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# Our Regional Work

## Networked Improvement Community (NIC)



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# Region 10 STEM

## Regional Improvement Plan Aim Statement

February 1, 2019

Revised April 25, 2019

Links for network meetings:

- District Science Leadership Community of Practice (DSLCoP): [tinyurl.com/DSLCoP](http://tinyurl.com/DSLCoP)
- District Science Teachers Community of Practice (DSTCoP): [tinyurl.com/DSTCoP](http://tinyurl.com/DSTCoP)

# Region 10 STEM Vision = All Science, All Students<sup>\*SOS</sup>

## Primary Drivers

### Aim Statement

By 2022, **funding** will increase to support high quality science instruction in the 64 school districts in Region 10.

\*money=accountability

Site SPSAs

District LCAP

## Secondary Drivers

**Students** must have resources for high quality instruction

**Teachers** must have time and support (PD, resources, network, appropriate working space) to (ie., plan, apply, practice and reflect) self identify as a science and environmental literacy teacher.

Equitable access to all **students** including those with disabilities (SWD) and ELLs.

**Parents and Community** need opportunity to build awareness and have voice.

**Administrators** must have defined science vision and goals for each year

**CAST** and other statewide measures

**Teachers** must develop skills to provide equitable support

**Schools** must develop equitable opportunities

Evidence of **teacher** implementation and reflections around student work samples

College, career, and civic life readiness for **ALL students**

## Change Ideas

**NGSS Instructional Rounds** (Site/District Administration)

**District Science Leaders COP** (TOSAS, Coaches & Administrators)

**District Science Teacher COP** (HS/MS/ES Teachers)

**STEP Educator and Student Conferences** (Community)

**Region 10 COP** (COE, Administrators, Teacher Leaders)

**Inyo/Mono:** support of all programs and systems



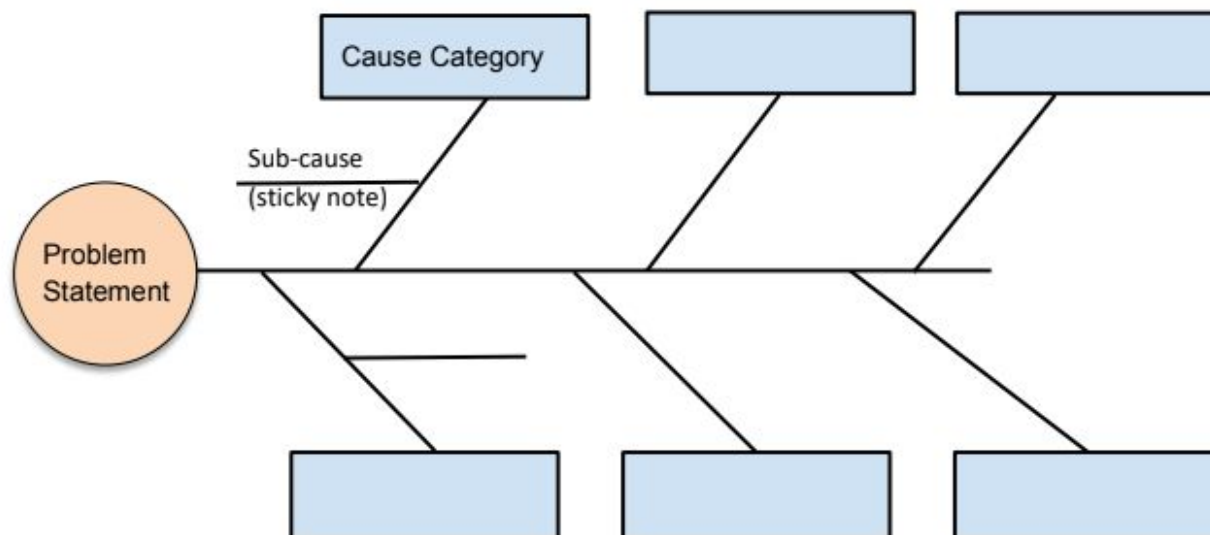


## Fishbone Diagrams

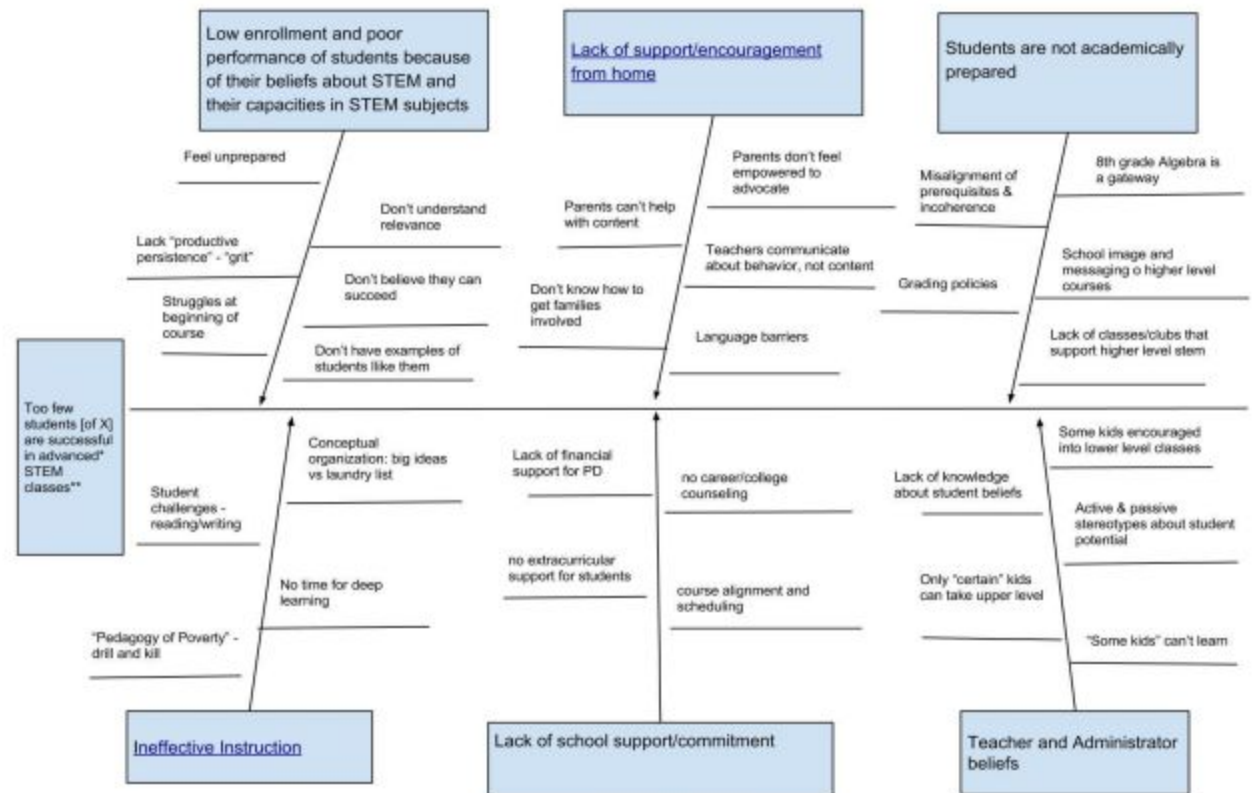
**Causal system analysis** is a process that results in identifying the potential root causes of problematic outcomes. A **fishbone diagram** is one tool used to collect, organize, and summarize the group's current knowledge about potential causes of problematic outcomes or variation in outcomes. It often utilizes an affinity protocol to access the group's non-judgmental ideas and helps teams focus on the important underlying causes instead of jumping to solutions.

### Components of Fishbone Diagrams

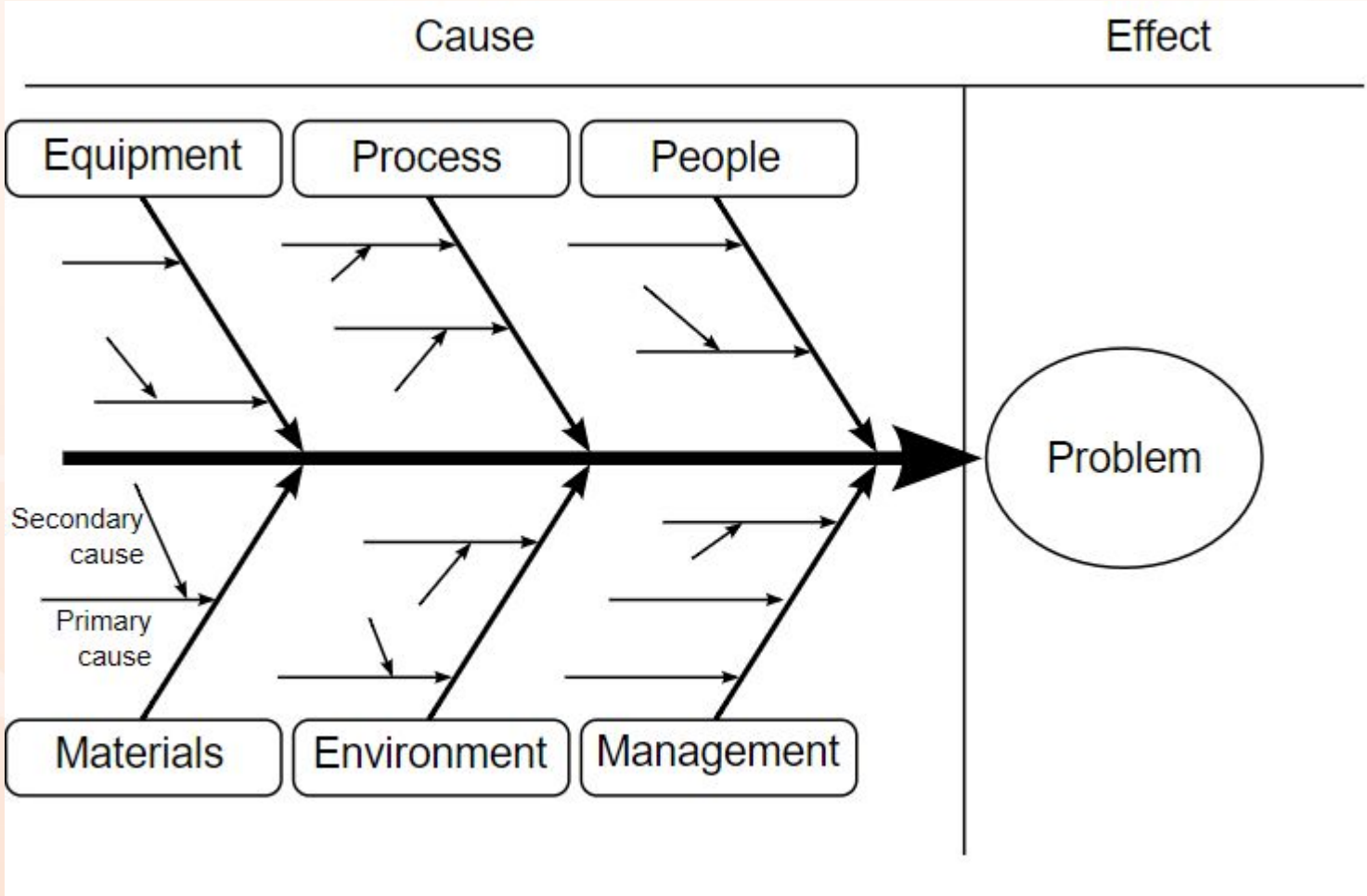
- The **problem statement** is recorded in the "head" of the fishbone diagram. The problem statement focuses on a concrete problem; either a gap in performance or unwanted variation in a system or process.
- The **causes** of the problem are located on the "bones" of the fishbone diagram. Each bone is labeled with a **cause category**, and related **sub-causes** are located underneath.



**Fishbone Example**



\*advanced course gets defined differently in each context      \*\*SEE "Reasons Diagram" for further explanations



# Elaborate: NGSS Implementation

**We Advocate**

**We analyze systems  
Root/Cause Analysis**

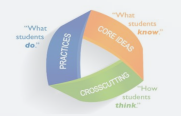


**We Identify Vital Behaviors**

**We are Influencers**

Region 10 NIC Members/Leadership

Defining Vital Behaviors for Region 10 Simple, Visible Classroom Vital Behaviors  
Implementation Data / CAST





# Elaborate: STEM Ecosystem

## Initiatives in Support of High Quality Science Instruction

### District Science Leadership Community of Practice 23-24

- 9/20/2023            11/16/2023
- 2/7/2024            4/24/2024

### STEM Summer Learning Labs

- STEM PULL (Public Utilities)
- STEM LEAPS (Law Enforcement and Public Safety)
- STEM ID (In Defense)
- STEM Solutions
- STEM I AM ( in Advanced Manufacturing)

### STEM Academies

- STEM P<sup>3</sup>
- STEM FUNDamental

### Advancing Student Research Teaching Academy:

Empowering HS teachers to support Student Research

### STEMaPalooza: 2/1 - 2/29 2024

### Educator STEPCon23: 10/10/23

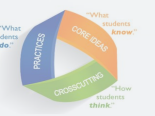
- Bourns Technology Center, Riverside

### Student STEPCon23: 10/5/23

- Virtual Platform: Science Show, Exhibits, Student Research, Leaderboard

### Counselor STEPCon23: 11/8/23

- Bourns Technology Center, Riverside





# Back in Palm Springs!

- [CASE Conference 2023](#)
- Palm Springs October 20-22
  - Will include a [Pre-conference Day](#) for Science Leaders on Thursday
- CASE Membership is Now \$30!





# Evaluate:

## Measurement of our Region 10 NGSS Vital Behaviors

## Measurement of Local NGSS Vital Behaviors

REGION 10 District Science Leaders												
Region 10 Aim Statement: Each participating LEA/School in Region 10 will establish an implementation goal of NGSS Vital Behaviors for the 2021 - 2022 academic school year.												
Elementary Site/District SAMPLE: xx% of teachers in NAME OF SCHOOL SITE will implement observable Vital NGSS classroom behaviors by the end of the school year.												
Secondary Site/District SAMPLE: xx% of teachers in NAME OF SCHOOL SITE will implement observable Vital NGSS classroom behaviors by the end of the school year.												
Implementation of NGSS Key Behaviors, TK-12												
	Name	Role/Title	Email	School OR	Implementation		NGSS Vital Behavior Data Metrics					Additional Notes
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NGSS Implementation Vital Behaviors Local Data 2021-2022		
Number of Classrooms	Vital Behavior	Implementation Percentage
	Vital Behavior #1	
	Vital Behavior #2	
	Vital Behavior #3	
	Vital Behavior #4	
	Vital Behavior #5	
<b>Total of Classrooms Visited:</b>		<b>Average:</b>

\*A Region 10 NGSS/STEM Initiative to support inclusive, high quality science instruction for ALL.

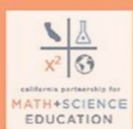


# How can County Office Leadership assist your efforts on high quality science instruction for ALL?

**we are listening....**



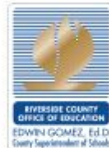




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# 2023 SRC Virtual Office Hours

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In support of the [Riverside County Science and Engineering Fair](#)

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://rcoe.zoom.us/j/94341218354>

Announcing *the 2023 Virtual SRC Office Hours!* Coming this fall, Nick Perez will host virtual SRC office hours in order to provide technical support around the Rules and Regulations for the RCSEF.

Fall office hours begin Monday, September 11th and will occur every Monday until December 18, 2023. The times for the virtual office hours are from **3:00 pm to 5:00 pm** via zoom.



**Nick Perez, Technical Consultant**

Nick Perez is currently a 4th year microbiology student at the University of California, Riverside. He plans on pursuing a career in medicine, specifically orthopedic surgery. He has been a science fair competitor since the 4th grade, and has competed at levels ranging from school, district, county, state, national and international levels.

**SRC Forms**

<a href="#">Form 1, Checklist for Adult Sponsor</a>	<a href="#">Form 4, Human Participants</a>
<a href="#">Form 1A, Student Checklist</a>	<a href="#">Sample Informed Consent Form</a>
<a href="#">Research Plan/Project Summary</a>	<a href="#">Form 5A, Vertebrate Animals Form</a>
<a href="#">Form 1B, Approval Form</a>	<a href="#">Form 5B, Vertebrate Animals Form</a>
<a href="#">Form 1C, Regulated Research Institutional/Industrial Setting Form</a>	<a href="#">Form 6A, Potentially Hazardous Biological Agents Risk Assessment Form</a>
<a href="#">Form 2, Qualified Scientist</a>	<a href="#">Form 6B, Human and Vertebrate Animal Tissue Form</a>
<a href="#">Form 3, Risk Assessment</a>	<a href="#">Form 7, Continuation/Research Progression Project Form</a>

**Virtual Office Hours Zoom Link:** <https://rcoe.zoom.us/j/94341218354>



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# Thank you to Flabob!

