



Santa Clara County Office of Education

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County Superintendent of Schools

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Good Afternoon LEAP Students,

I hope this letter finds you well. I want to thank you for all of the work you do to support our students and the applaud for how you have risen to meet the challenge that faces education during this time. You are my heroes! I am writing this letter to extend to you a very long-awaited opportunity. SCCOE/EPP's Leaders in Educational Administration Program (LEAP) is partnering with San Jose State University to offer our students a 13-month program leading to a Masters in Emancipatory Leadership for Schools. This is an amazing program that is designed for emerging K-12 school leaders who wish to engage with emancipatory leadership practices to improve educational opportunities for historically marginalized students. This program directly aligns with LEAP's focus on equity, inclusion and social justice.

In addition, San Jose State University is offering students who begin in the Summer of 2020 an automatic \$3,500.00 scholarship. Attached is a [letter](#) from the program founder Rebeca Burciaga and a flyer with more details about the program. Take a moment to look into this opportunity for yourself, and pass it on to your colleagues. What an opportunity to continue and deepen the work toward educating our historically marginalized students of color.

Be well and as always, we are here to support you in your journey to leadership.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adora Fisher".

Adora Fisher
Director of Educator Preparation Programs