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### **SCCOE leader named regional ACSA Technology Administrator of the Year**

**SAN JOSE, CA** –Elizabeth Calhoun, Manager of Educational Technology Services at the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE), has been named the Association of California School Administrators' (ACSA) Region 8 Technology Administrator of the Year. The award recognizes those who demonstrate exceptional leadership, commitment to educational quality and student achievement, commitment to professional growth and creativity in dealing with issues and problems facing public education

"Elizabeth's passion for innovation and learning technologies has been an inspiration for hundreds of teachers across Silicon Valley," said Jon Gundry, County Superintendent of Schools. "Her selection for this award highlights the strategic importance of technology leadership in education and we are happy to have a role supporting our county schools in that effort."

Calhoun works with educators throughout the county, helping teachers use technology to hone their craft and personalize learning experiences for their students. Some of her most recent accomplishments include mounting the EdTech Innovation Summit, which brought educators together from Santa Clara and San Mateo to share best practices for using technology to implement the new Common Core State Standards, and authoring a book on the use of Google Apps in the classroom.

"I have been so fortunate to help create spaces for educators to take risks, fail fabulously, forge ahead with new learning and set a fresh tone about what it means to be a true lead learner," said Calhoun.

Calhoun will be formally recognized at the ACSA Region 8 Recognition Reception on Friday, May 8 at the Corinthian Event Center and a special reception will be held in her honor at the SCCOE's Ridder Park offices on Thursday, May 21. Having received the regional award, she will now go on to compete for Technology Administrator of the Year award at the state level, which will be announced later in the spring.