The Educational Services Branch (ESB) provides leadership and support to school districts through professional development, curriculum/instruction development, assessment and accountability, and district/school improvement services. ESB conducts seminars and workshops for K-12 teachers and administrators, and supports the development and integration of career technical education skills.

Contact ESB staff for more information about the Educational Services Branch.

View our event calendar for current course offerings and registration.

ABOUT OUR SERVICES

ASAPconnect
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ASAPconnect provides professional development to out-of-school-time trainers, mentors, coaches and consultants. ASAPconnect links after-school programs with assistance providers to ensure high-quality services to needy youth.

Charter Schools Office
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Charter Schools coordinates the programmatic and fiscal oversight for charter schools approved by the SCCOE Board of Education. The department also serves as a resource for Santa Clara County’s charter schools, school districts, state and local agencies, parents and communities.

Curriculum & Instruction
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Curriculum & Instruction provides high-quality professional development services to improve teaching and learning in a handful of subjects.

Learning Multimedia Center
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The Learning Multimedia Center services educators, students, parents and community members throughout Santa Clara County.

Safe and Healthy Schools
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Safe and Healthy Schools provides a broad range of services related to School Climate and Student Health and Wellness efforts improving achievement for all students, including Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), a decision-making framework that guides selection, integration and implementation of the best evidence-based behavioral practices for improving important behavior outcomes for all students.

State & Federal Programs
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State & Federal Programs, including Assessment & Accountability, serves target schools and districts in the implementation of various programs and projects like program development, Federal Program Monitoring (FPM), School Site Council training, parent engagement and others.

Assessment and Accountability coordinates and implements California’s statewide testing programs, and guides the use of achievement data to improve schools and academic achievement.

Multilingual Education Services
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Multilingual Education Services supports English learner achievement through capacity building.

STEAM
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The STEAM team provide professional development in science, mathematics, literacy, engineering and the arts.