



San Joaquin County SELPA

**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION
SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY SELPA GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING
GAYLORD A. NELSON ADMINISTRATION CENTER | BOARD ROOM
2922 TRANSWORLD DRIVE, STOCKTON, CA 95206
February 2, 2026 | 9:45 A.M.**

Minutes

PRESENT: Samantha Sanchez (note taker), Marty Remmers, Rechelle Pearlman, Banta Elementary School District; Kelly Dextraze, Lincoln Unified School District; Roger Goatcher, Manteca Unified School District; Scott McGregor, Linden Unified School District; Jim Bridges, Jefferson Elementary School District; Troy Brown County Superintendent of Schools; Ricardo Chavez, Escalon Unified School District; Kirk Nicholas, Lammersville Unified School District; Kellyann Reis, New Jerusalem Elementary School District;

OTHERS PRESENT: Jane Chamberlain, Terrel Martinez, Austin Nogueira, Peter Foggiato, Rowena Fairbanks, Janine Kaeslin, Zachary Francechetti

ABSENT: Clark Burke Manteca Unified School District; Robert Pecot, Tracy Unified School District; Rusty Clark, Ripon Unified School District

1. CALL TO ORDER:

- 1.1. Troy Brown called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

Troy Brown shared that on his part he could have gathered more information from Rusty Clark in regards to the Ripon Program Transfer to share with everyone.

Jane Chamberlain shared that Marty Remmers is working on a program transfer policy.

2. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION:

- 2.1. Council of Directors Update: The San Joaquin County SELPA Governing Council will receive an update from the San Joaquin County SELPA Council of Directors meeting held on January 21, 2026.

Non-Public School (NPS) Visits:

Marty Remmers shared that per the California Department of Education (CDE), the San Joaquin County SELPA (SJC SELPA) or the Local Education Agency (LEA) is required to make visits to nonpublic schools (NPS) that enroll students who reside within the SELPA. He shared that Eric Peters has scheduled visits to NPSs. The scheduled visits to the NPSs have been shared with the Council of Directors (COD) so any of the Directors can attend.

Non Public School - Increasing Seats:

Marty is working with Spectrum on paying for seats without definite acceptance of students. Spectrum has a proposed site in Stockton and San Joaquin County (SJC) SELPA is partnering with Lodi SELPA. The SJC SELPA met with Spectrum on January 29, 2026 and discussed the following:

- Referral process
- Layered system of support for each school site
- Areas/themes where challenges are encountered
- Billing procedures used in different SELPAs
- Changing student demographics

Marty also indicated that he is working with Devereux because they are wanting to expand their presence in California.

California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) / Special Education Information System (SEIS):

Marty discussed the Individualized Education Program (IEP) implementation data collection. The data collection will take place between January 1, 2026 - February 27, 2026 and the IEP implementation data collection spreadsheet has been provided to COD. The English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) testing window opens on February 1, 2026. The purpose of the testing window is to ensure students that qualify for reclassification have been reviewed, and ensure accurate assessment selection, and student accommodations entry into SEIS. Marty also shared that the End of Year (EOY) 1-4 has been changed to EOY 1 and EOY 2. The data discrepancies for EOY 1 will not be available until early Spring.

Improving Academic Achievement Through Predictive Analytics (iTAAP):

Marty shared that Expatiate Communications, the developers of iTAAP, met in person with SJC SELPA LEAs on January 29, 2026. The LEAs in attendance were SJCOE special education (SPED), Venture, Lammersville, Jefferson, and SJC SELPA. He also went over an overview handout of what iTAAP is and how it focuses on real time data. There will be a virtual session scheduled for February 13, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

SJC SELPA Site Visits:

Marty discussed that he has scheduled site visits. He will be visiting the following:

- SJCOE SPED on February 11th
- New Jerusalem on February 17th

- Banta on March 9th

Marty also shared that he has already visited the following:

- Manteca - Lathrop High School - Co-Teaching
- Ripon - Multiple Sites - inclusion work
- Linden - PK classroom and inclusion work at multiple sites
- Escalon - scheduled for January 30th
- Jefferson - Corral Hollow - SDC TK classrooms

Marty mentioned that the co-teaching model was great at Lathrop High School, and he will reschedule the Escalon visit. These visits help him understand the needs each LEA has and how the SELPA can support the boots on the ground type of work.

Troy Brown thanked Marty for doing the site visits.

Local Plan Committee:

Marty shared that the second Local Plan Committee meeting took place on January 27th and the LEAs in attendance were Lammersville, Tracy, and Venture. Also in attendance was Terri Brown from the Community Advisory Committee (CAC) and Austin Nogueira from Business. The third and final meeting will be held on February 26th and the LEAs who confirmed their attendance are Ripon, Banta, Tracy, Venture, and Banta.

Facilitated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Revision Working Sessions:

Marty shared that adherence and clarity is necessary for this discussion in order to wrap everything up, and there have been three sessions completed. During the last session that took place on January 21st, Manteca, Tracy, Jefferson, SJCOE SPED, and Lammersville were in attendance. The next session is scheduled for February 18th and so far SJCOE SPED, Manteca, Escalon, Lincoln, and Lammersville have confirmed their attendance.

Upcoming Professional Development (PD):

Marty shared the following PDs:

- AAC Community of Practice: February 13, 2026 hosted by SJC SELPA
- Region 6 ADR Community of Practice: March 11, 2026 hosted by SJC SELPA
- Autism Forum: April 22, 2026 hosted by REgion 6 CAPTAIN and SJC SELPA
- P2P Facilitated IEP Training: May 19-20, 2026 details to come

Workability:

Marty shared a powerpoint that is going to be presented by Zachary Franceschetti and his Workability I team during the February 4-6 state SELPA meeting.

Zach shared that the percentage of students with disabilities in the SJC SELPA who meet the prepared indicator ranges from 0.0% - 16.7%. He also shared that he is working with districts to get students to join Career Technical Education (CTE)

Pathways. CTE courses are paired with community and on campus employment opportunities to ensure students receive instruction and practice on skills in different environments. For example the culinary pathway helps students get real life work experience and classroom experience. Zach is partnering with Delta College and the hope is that there will be health classes and business classes for SPED students. He also shared that in May, districts will get the number of workability hours their students have that zach will share at COD.

Jane Chamberlain asked how many students were there when Zach first started.

Zach answered that there were 145 and now there are about 250 students this school year.

- 2.2. County Programs Update: The San Joaquin County SELPA Governing Council will receive an update on current enrollment, referrals, and data as it relates to regionalized programs.

County Programs Update:

Rowena Fairbanks shared a powerpoint presentation that focused on enrollment history, survey results, and growth proposals for 2026-2027. Rowena gave each district their own folder that highlighted their district's enrollment history and growth. She also went over the 2025-2026 SJCOE SPED class size sheet. Rowena discussed the SJCOE special education regionalized programs powerpoint presentation.

A discussion was held with the Governing Council surrounding staffing protocols, class sizes, and loading standards. Rowena plans to discuss this further with the Council of Directors at the next COD meeting

- 2.3. 2026-2027 Growth Proposal: The San Joaquin County SELPA Governing Council will receive information on the Special Education 2026-2027 growth proposal.

Special Education Programs 2026-27 Initial Growth Proposal Summary:

Austin shared with the Governing Council the SJCOE SPED Growth Proposal Summary #1 and #2. In the growth proposal #1, the proposed action was to approve 5 Extensive Support Needs (ESN) growth classes, plus 25 additional IA positions. The justification for this proposed action is in response to increased enrollment and 2026-27 district projections for students with autism and intensive/severe educational needs. The addition of 5 classes and one program conversion at SJCOE is being proposed to accommodate program growth. Proposed changes include: the addition of 1 young adult extensive support needs class; 1 high school extensive support needs class; 3 intermediate extensive support needs classes. The cost for one fiscal year for 2026-2027 would be \$4,199,581.00 and ongoing cost would be \$4,235,853.00.

Austin also shared growth proposal #2 and the proposed action was to approve 3 ESN growth classes, plus 25 additional IA positions. The justification for the

proposed action is in response to increased enrollment and 2026-27 district projections for students with autism and intensive/severe educational needs. The addition of three classes and one program conversion at SJCOE is being proposed to accommodate program growth. Proposed changes include: the addition of one young adult extensive support needs class; one high school extensive support needs class; and one intermediate support needs classes. The cost for one fiscal year for 2026-2027 would be \$3,142,071.00 and ongoing cost would be \$3,232,978.00.

- 2.4. 2026-2027 Budget: The San Joaquin County SELPA Governing Council will receive an update on the Preliminary 2026-2027 Budget AB602 with and without Growth Comparisons.

Preliminary Budget AB602 with and without Growth Comparisons:

Austin shared a powerpoint presentation to the Governing Council that covers SJCOE SELPA 2026-27 AB602 SELPA Funding Documents. The Preliminary Budget AB602 presentation covered the following:

- 2025-26 Assumptions
- 2025-26 Growth Proposals Proposed
- 2025-26 SELPA Funding Factor Differences
- SJCOE SELPA Comparison of Funding Models
- 2025-26 SELPA Funding Factor
- 2025-26 Budget Augmentations
- 2025-26 State Aid Entitlements by District
- 2025-26 Usage by District
- 2025-26 SELPA Reconciliation to the Special Education Funding Exhibit Calculations
- SELPA ADA Information - Multi-YEars
- 2025-26 SJCOE Special Education County Program Revenues/Expenditures
- 2025-26 SJCOE Special Education County Program Budget
- Special Ed County Program Reserves - Multi-Years

3. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION:

- 3.1. Minutes: The San Joaquin County SELPA Governing Council is requested to approve the minutes from the January 12, 2026, regular meeting as presented.

Motion made by: Jim Bridges

Seconded by: Ricardo Chavez

Yes: 9

No: 0

Abstain: 0

4. CLOSING COMMENTS FOR BOARD MEMBERS: Board members may address relevant issues and concerns. Comments will be noted.

5. ADJOURNMENT:

5.1. Troy Brown adjourned the meeting at: 11:12 a.m.

The SELPA Governing Council is committed to ensuring that all meetings are accessible regardless of an individual's ability or access method. If you need reasonable accommodation, please contact the SELPA Director's office at (209) 468-4925, at least one day prior to the scheduled meeting.

For translation and interpretation services, please contact the SELPA Director's office at (209) 468-4925, at least one day prior to the scheduled meeting.

Any writings or documents that are public records and are provided to a majority of the SELPA Governing Council regarding an open session item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection upon request by sending an email to sjcselpa@sjcoe.net.