

CSF BULLETIN



for CJSF Advisers



<https://csf-cjsf.org>

Fall 2024

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! Some of you have already been in session for days, if not weeks, while others will begin later this month. All of our schools and chapters are experiencing this exciting, stressful, important opening period. Transitions like these, moving from summer routines to busy school schedules can be dramatic and daunting, even when we are fully prepared and eagerly anticipating this change. Although some dislike change because it brings chaos, change brings opportunity.

In my household, I am very fortunate to have a recent college graduate navigating the job market, a recent high school graduate transitioning to university life, and a high school sophomore taking on AP and honors classes while performing in marching band and playing soccer. With two teacher parents, my whole family regularly experiences the cycles and changes of the school calendar: all those ebbs and flows of grading and activities, late nights and dinners on the go, rushing from one task or responsibility to the next. While our experiences differ, we all can struggle to muster our courage, steeling ourselves to handle the rigors of educating our youth. I remind you that CSF recognizes and celebrates the achievements of those who persevere, who overcome, who excel even in dire circumstances.

My ongoing goals in my role as the CSF/CJSF president include strengthening our network and the communication among chapters. We excel when we support each other. Our students grow as leaders when they learn from others - - advisers, mentors, peers, and fellow student leaders. Your student leaders may want to collaborate with a neighboring chapter to develop a more-expansive service project. Your chapter may want to challenge another to raise more, or perhaps matching, funds to support a local program. Your students may want to develop an idea exchange or social activity with other schools. We are always stronger together.

CSF will continue to offer advisers workshops and student conferences throughout the year, yet we can only maximize their effectiveness when more chapters participate, when most advisers join, when we all can convene to make a difference in our communities. Let's strive and thrive together. We are CJSF! We are CSF!

Brian Dull, CSF/CJSF President

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Each semester assign or elect a **STUDENT MEMBER to handle Communications** with CSF and disseminate information to members.

ALL student members may register to receive emails from CSF about events, awards, and the Student Advisory Council.

<https://csf-cjsf.org/stay-informed/>

Mailing address: CSF/CJSF Central Office
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2024-2025 Calendar

CHAPTER REQUIREMENTS

November 1, 2024 **Dues are due**

CJSF ADVISERS VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

September 18, 2024 | 4:30pm
Focus: Membership Drives, Dues, New Advisers

Workshop registration on csf-cjsf.org/advisers-workshops-virtual/

CONFERENCES

Fall Advisers' Conference
"Relax - Reconnect - Receive"
October 26, 2024
In person in Redondo Beach

5th Annual Student Leadership Conference | Virtual
February 8, 2025

SPRING REGION AWARDS INTERVIEWS/CEREMONIES & CONFERENCES

Host chapters are needed. Contact erin.woodward@csf-cjsf.org
March 8, 2025 | Central Coast-Dublin HS
March 15, 2025 | Central-W Sanger HS
March 22, 2025 | Host needed
March 29, 2025 | Host needed
April 4-5, 2025 - Northern California - Host needed

AWARDS

DiGiovanna Award Essay Contest
November 1, 2024 - January 13, 2025

Huhn Memorial Award
November 15, 2024 - February 25, 2025
Nominee Workshops (location TBA):
March 8, 15, 22, 29 & April 4-5, 2025

FUNDRAISERS

Panda Express Virtual Fundraisers
November 7, 2024
April 10, 2025



Fall Advisers' Conference

Relax - Reconnect - Receive the latest Info

October 26, 2024, 9:30am-2pm
St. Lawrence Martyr School, Redondo Beach
1950 S Prospect Ave.
Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Cost: \$20 includes lunch

Additional Information and Registration here:
<https://csf-cjsf.org/fall-advisers-conference/>

All sessions will be presented by students, for students, and about students!

*It's not too early to get your members thinking about making a presentation at the **Virtual Student Leadership Conference** on February 8, 2025.*
<https://csf-cjsf.org/student-leadership-conference/>



Why participate in a CSF/CJSF - Panda Express virtual fundraiser?

Participation allows your chapter to **earn a donation of 10%** of Panda Express net sales by *your supporters from all over the U.S.*

More info and register on our website:
<https://csf-cjsf.org/panda-express-virtual-fundraiser>

Awards

CJSF 7th and 8th graders are eligible for two financial awards.

The DiGiovanna Memorial Award is an essay contest open to all 7th and 8th grade members of a CJSF chapter in good standing. There will be one award recipient in each region receiving a \$100 award.

- Student application and essay submission form will available on November 1st on <https://csf-cjsf.org/cjsf-awards/>

The Marian Huhn Memorial Awards

A total of \$6,250 is awarded annually, with five students from each region receiving a \$250 award.

- Students must be nominated by their CJSF Adviser.
- Nominations are open from November 15th to February 25th.
- Advisers should read all of the requirements and information available on our website before nominating. <https://csf-cjsf.org/cjsf-awards/>
- Student finalists must attend the Huhn Workshop in his or her region.

2024-2025 Adviser password for the Huhn nomination form is CJSFScholars2425

CSF Trademarks CSF Store



CSF has registered trademarks in the State of California. To protect the ownership of our trademarks, we have one exclusive, licensed distributor of all CSF/CJSF products, Grad Awards.

Purchase CJSF items through Grad Awards: All chapters are required to purchase CSF graduation regalia (pins, cords, sashes, etc.) awards, and clothing through Grad Awards.

ORDERING SUPPLIES FROM GRAD AWARDS STORE

Request the password for the CJSF adviser store here:

<https://csf-cjsf.org/store> | Main Menu > STORE

Do not print CSF/CJSF logos: While chapters can make their own tee-shirts, sweatshirts, etc. they are not permitted to use the CSF/CJSF logo or marks on the items.

Get personalized items: For personalized clothing or other items with the CSF logo (e.g. your school name with the CSF/CJSF logo), contact Ken Bowen of Grad Awards by phone: 949-426-6789 or email: csf@gradawards.com for competitive pricing.

You may use CSF/CJSF logos on websites and stationery.

Email office@csf-cjsf.org to request logos for use on your website or stationery.

Communication is a two way bridge.

- **Read and save this newsletter** for reference throughout the year.
- **Bookmark our website** for the latest news and information <https://csf-cjsf.org>
- **Email us** with your questions and concerns.
- Make sure we have your email address that can **receive our emails!**
- Have a student member register as **Communications Representative**
<https://csf-cjsf.org/stay-informed/>



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Contact your region VP about membership drives, member eligibility, chapter activities, fundraising, Constitution and Bylaws.

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Website, communications, email, online forms, applications.

Are you interested in getting more involved in the CSF state organization?

CJSF is looking for a experienced advisers to join the state board and be a part of supporting chapter advisers, student members, and guiding the future of CSF/CJSF.

Currently recruiting:

- CJSF Region Vice Presidents

All board members serve as volunteers and must attend two board meetings each year. Travel expenses are reimbursed by CSF. For more information, or to volunteer, contact CSF President Brian Dull brian@csf-cjsf.org

REGION HOSTS ARE NEEDED FOR SPRING 2025 SPRING REGION AWARDS INTERVIEWS/CEREMONIES, AND CONFERENCES

Hosting a Spring Region event is a great way to support CSF/CJSF and for you and your members to get involved in the greater CSF/CJSF experience by meeting advisers and members from other chapters in your region. You may want to consider co-hosting with a nearby CSF/CJSF chapter to share the responsibilities.

If you and your chapter are interested in knowing more, please contact your region VP or President-Elect Erin Woodward for more information erin.woodward@csf-cjsf.org



CJSF South region Huhn Award nominees 2023-2024