



Madera County

School Boards Association

*Alview-Dairyland
Union School District*

July 31, 2026

*Bass Lake Joint
Union School District*

TO: MCSBA Executive Committee

*Chawanakee Unified
School District*

CC: District Superintendents

*Chowchilla
Elementary
School District*

FROM: Barbara Bigelow
MCSBA President

RE: **Application for Board Member Development**

*Chowchilla Union
High School District*

*Golden Valley
Unified School
District*

*Madera County
Board of Education*

The following MCSBA criteria must be met for board members to be eligible for a “Board Member Development” scholarship. An individual member of the MCSBA who is from a direct service school district may submit a request to participate in board member development programs offered through CSBA, SSDA, or other academy type programs. The purpose of the request is to provide an opportunity to enhance the skills of the school board member in performance of his or her elected duties.

*Madera Unified
School District*

Enclosed is a Scholarship Application for Board Member Development. Please share it with your board members and include it on the board agenda annually to remind eligible board members regarding access to these funds.

*Raymond-Knowles
Union Elementary
School District*

Should you have any questions, please call Jennifer Pascale at (559) 662-6274.

*Yosemite Unified
School District*

*State Center
Community College
District*

*1105 S. Madera Avenue
Madera, CA 93637*

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Board Member Development Scholarship Application Process

***Alview-Dairyland
Union School District***

***Bass Lake Joint
Union School District***

***Chawanakee Unified
School District***

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Elementary
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Eligibility

- Priority will be given to direct service school district(s) not having received the scholarship in the immediate past year. A Direct Service School District is defined as:

Elementary School District – with an ADA of less than 901 students

High School District – with an ADA of less than 301 students

Unified School District – with an ADA of less than 1,501 students

Direct Service School Districts in Madera County are as follows:

Alview-Dairyland Union School District

Bass Lake Joint Union Elementary School District

Chawanakee Unified School District

Raymond-Knowles Union Elementary School District

Yosemite Unified School District

- If more than one district meets the eligibility qualifications, selection will be drawn by lot.

Timeline for Submission of Application

All scholarship applications are due no later than ***September 30*** of the current school year. Board Members must complete the MCSBA scholarship application form.

Timeline for Submission of Expenses

To receive reimbursement, successful applicant shall submit expenses within 30 days of conclusion of the event.

Designation of an Alternate

If the person who applied for the scholarship is unable to attend, an alternate shall be selected. The alternate shall be from the same board as the applicant so that the information is available to the district.

Requirement

The applicant/district must be a member in good standing of a state organization. For example, district dues paid for CSBA, SSDA, etc.

The recipient of the scholarship is expected to report back to the individual's local board. This reinforces the purpose of the scholarship to provide professional development for the board members as a group.

Limited funds

There are limited funds for the scholarship program. When the funds are expended, no additional scholarships will be available for that year. If the funds allocated to the scholarship are not spent, the Executive Committee may discuss rolling them over into the next year or not as part of the annual budget development process.

**MADERA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (MCSBA)
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
FOR BOARD MEMBER DEVELOPMENT
(USE IN 2026-2027)**

Scholarships may be given to direct service school district board members:

Direct Service School Districts: Alview-Dairyland Union School District
Bass Lake Joint Union Elementary School District
Chawanakee Unified School District
Raymond-Knowles Union Elementary School District
Yosemite Unified School District

District _____
Board Member(s) _____

Workshop or Training _____

Specify Needs: _____

Requested Amount: _____ District Match: _____
(not to exceed \$2,000)

Board President	Date of Submission
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Please submit to Jennifer Pascale by **September 30** of the current school year:
Madera County Superintendent of Schools
1105 South Madera Avenue
Madera, CA 93637

Suggestions (not limited):

- CSBA Masters in Governance
- SSDA Conference or Regional Meeting
- Local CSBA Workshops or Regional Meetings

NOTE: Receipts are required. The MCSOS travel policy criteria and forms will be used for reimbursement. To receive reimbursement, the successful applicant shall submit expenses within 30 days of conclusion of the event.

MCSBA Executive Committee Action:

- ☐ Approved as submitted
☐ Approved with modification as listed below
☐ Not approved at this time