
❖ DAVID J. VERDUGO, Ph.D – Partner

Biographical Information

- Dr. David Verdugo served as superintendent of schools for the Paramount Unified School District (17,000 ADA) in Los Angeles County for 9 years.
- Dr. Verdugo also served as the assistant superintendent of the Placentia-Yorba Unified School District (25,000 ADA). He has held positions of assistant superintendent, director of secondary education, principal at both elementary and high school levels, as well as teacher and coach. Dr. Verdugo has served a total of 43 years in the field of education, spanning grades k-12.
- Dr. Verdugo earned his bachelors degree from Whitworth College in Spokane, Washington and his masters degree from the University of La Verne. His Ph.D degree in educational administration was earned at the University of Southern California.
- During his 43 years in the field of education, Dr. Verdugo's duties have included school facility management; extensive involvement with budget development, implementation of technology programs, employer/employee relations, curriculum and instructional strategies, and organizational development. His experience includes servicing students of diverse populations and socioeconomic levels in urban and suburban settings. He is a staunch supporter of strategic planning and believes strongly that it is essential to the success of any progressive school district. Dr. Verdugo is a leader who is known for mobilizing the resources available to a school district in reaching board goals and successfully increasing public support and confidence in public education, and for his expertise in the use of rational management analytical tools for identifying and resolving important issues facing school districts today.
- Dr. Verdugo was named the Association of California Administrators (ACSA) Region XIV Superintendent of the Year. He received the California State University, Long Beach Outstanding Superintendent Leadership Award in 2012 and the ALAS, Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents, National Outstanding Educator Award in 2013.
- Dr. Verdugo is a past governing board member to AASA and has addressed and spoken on state and national topics from building a case for reform to the importance of Arts in schools. Currently he is the executive director of the California Association of Latino Superintendents (CALSA) as well as the former Superintendents Leadership Academy Director for the Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents based in Washington, D.C.
- Dr. Verdugo is married and has two sons and five grandchildren.