



CCTE Spring 2020 SPAN Conference

“Spring Policy Action Network”

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The fourth annual CCTE Spring Policy Action Network (SPAN) Conference will take place March 19th and 20th, with a pre-conference policy session on the 18th, at The Citizen Hotel in Sacramento. If you attended SPAN 2017, SPAN 2018, or SPAN 2019 you have already experienced the positive energy and productive interactions that characterize CCTE’s Spring Policy Action Network. We anticipate the same energy and more in 2020 as we continue to engage with policy experts, researchers, and agency allies.

The SPAN goals were set by the CCTE Board of Directors long before any conference planning started: position CCTE as the key teacher education resource for California, build relationships and expand our policy network, develop our capacity for advocacy, and affirm CCTE’s expert influence at the state level. SPAN continues to work as planned, and we are excited to invite wider participation in the 2020 SPAN conference as we collectively address the above goals.

The anticipated highlights are as follows.

Wednesday, March 18:

- ◆ Policy Session on Disability.

Thursday, March 19:

- ◆ Meet and Greet Breakfast with SIG Meetings.
- ◆ Setting the new policy agenda: guest speakers will highlight changes in the teacher education policy agenda based on current legislative activity. SPAN participants will use this information in preparation for the afternoon sessions (legislative office visits, policy analysis, and policy response work).
- ◆ Keynote address during the luncheon.
- ◆ Legislative Visits: Participants will have a choice to join a team to visit legislative offices during a scheduled appointment; or
- ◆ Education Deans meeting at Capitol; or
- ◆ Policy Analysis/Policy Response Session with guest

facilitator, focusing specifically on ways that CCTE can inform the teacher education policy agenda.

- ◆ Debrief Meetings.
- ◆ Reception at The Citizen Hotel, for the networking that we value as CCTE members.

Friday, March 20:

- ◆ President’s Networking Breakfast.
- ◆ CTC Concurrent Sessions, aimed at engaging all of us in important policy work;
- ◆ Associated group meetings: CABTE, CAPSE, & AICCU-ED;
- ◆ Research, Practice, and Policy Roundtables and Poster Sessions featuring teacher education scholarship;
- ◆ SPAN Wrap-up, including announcement of newly elected CCTE Officers and Board members at 3 pm.

If you are planning to be part of a legislative visit team or want more information about current policy issues, we will be holding CCTE Policy Committee meetings (by zoom). Please confirm your interest in Policy Committee membership and participation in those meetings at <http://bit.ly/CCTEpolicy2019>

We may also host a Pre-Conference Webinar in early March. Please feel free to watch the 2018 webinar recording at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7lhUieuqKeQ>

As a two-day meeting, with all meals and the reception included in the registration fees, SPAN 2020 will once again be a policy-focused and interactive experience. The tentative program for the Conference appears on the next page of this announcement. Registration is now open for the CCTE 2020 SPAN Conference. Mail in the registration form that also follows in this announcement with a check or use it combined with the on-line form on the CCTE website, www.ccte.org (see the conferences page), if you wish to pay by credit card.

Also following in this announcement is the Call for Proposals for research roundtables and poster presentations at the Spring 2020 SPAN Conference. The proposal deadline is January 17, 2020.