



LINKS Newsletter

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SCOE Ready to Launch LINKS

Dear LINKS Committee Members,

We'd like to welcome everyone to our first **LINKS** Newsletter. We hope that this brief bulletin will serve as a source of information for all of us as we work together on this innovative and groundbreaking education effort designed to help our high-risk youth.

As you know, we held our first meeting at SCOE Headquarters on October 25, 2005 and received great input from all of you. As Deputy Superin-

tendent Marty Cavanaugh stated in his thank you message to all committee members:

"Your input was important and will be utilized to strengthen **LINKS** as we prepare to launch a better road to success for students who deserve it."

The **LINKS** project also received a resounding endorsement from Steve DeRoss, Assistant Chief Probation Officer with Sacramento County. Steve told committee members:

"I believe this program to be the most significant change for the at-risk students in our county." Steve also added: "**LINKS** will make a difference."

Our second meeting was held October 29, 2005. Group members discussed possible standards and curriculum for the **LINKS** Program.

We have a lot of work ahead of us but thanks to the hard work, input and expertise from all of you, we will accomplish our goals.



SCOE Deputy Superintendent Marty Cavanaugh addresses first meeting of the LINKS Advisory Committee.

We are currently working on a new Web site (www.scoe.net/links) which will serve as our window to the world in informing the public about the LINKS program. That Web site is **coming soon!**

Please send your newsletter information to René Bender (rbender@scoe.net) or Carol Dana (cdana@scoe.net).

Ongoing categories featured in future newsletters...

News: which will feature links to news stories involving education.

School Issues: brief updates on issues involving our **LINKS** campuses.

FAQ: a place where readers and committee members can ask and answer questions to readers who will

provide their e-mail addresses.

Bulletin Board: a place where members can post information that will benefit all of us.

Administrators' Desk: occasional informational messages and postings from SCOE Administration which will help provide

updates to all members of the **LINKS** Development Committee.

Mentor News: this is where members interested in serving as mentors can get information.

Events: a location where members can post upcoming special events.

"We are not going to lower our standards for parent involvement with this program. Set high, realistic and good standards and stick to it."

- Tim Taylor, Assistant Superintendent, Court and Community Schools