New ACS WASC Director

Press Release

Burlingame, CA, September 26, 2016 — The Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACS WASC) would like to welcome Ms. Nancy S. Brownell as an ACS WASC Director. Her most recent positions were Senior Fellow at the California State Board and Department of Education; Assistant Superintendent, Sonoma County Office of Education; and School Board Member, Rescue Union School District. Ms. Brownell has over 40 years of experience as a teacher, administrator, school board member, and educational leader. She has supported schools and districts through positions in county offices and the California County Superintendents Educational Services Association (CCSESA). She holds a M.A. in Educational Administration from the University of San Francisco and B.A. in English. She has chaired many ACS WASC visiting committees.

Ms. Brownell will be working on behalf of ACS WASC with the California State Board of Education, the California Department of Education, the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence, and other groups to support and enhance the use of the accreditation process as an important vehicle to support the accountability goals of the Local Control Funding Formula and the Federal Every Student Succeeds Act. Ms. Brownell will begin her new position with ACS WASC on October 1, 2016.

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