New ACS WASC Southern California Coordinators

Press Release

Burlingame, CA, May 17, 2018 — The Accrediting Commission for Schools, Western Association of Schools and Colleges (ACS WASC) would like to announce the hiring of two coordinators in the ACS WASC Southern California San Diego office. They will begin their positions on July 1.

Dr. Wendy Parcel has been an Assistant Director the last 11 years for Julian Charter School, an independent study non-classroom based charter school. Before that time, Dr. Parcel worked for the Sweetwater Union High School District for 16 years, first as a classroom teacher, and then as a teacher on special assignment in the EDTEC Office. For the past decade, Dr. Parcel has also been an adjunct professor at San Diego State University where she teaches Learning Design and Technology to practicing classroom teachers. Since 1999, she has participated on many ACS WASC accreditation site visits. In her spare time she likes to spend time with her husband and adult son, as well as go on long walks and read.

Dr. Susan JK Weinshanker has pursued a path that focuses on developing, implementing, and sustaining learning systems since the beginning of her career in education. Dr. Weinshanker has been successful forming and leading teams to develop support programs, which has led to refining teacher pedagogy. This success has been accomplished at all levels of education — from elementary through university, educator through administration. Since 1992, she has participated on over 35 ACS WASC accreditation site visits. She has also trained administrators and site staff throughout San Diego Unified School District, where she worked for the past 17 years. With her undergraduate degree in Biochemistry from Rutgers University, her masters’ degree from Kean University and her Ed.D. in Educational Administration from USIU, Dr. Weinshanker is an engaged lifelong learner. When she is not teaching, Dr. Weinshanker enjoys spending quality time with family and friends as well as exploration and investigation through travel and discovery. She is a scuba diving enthusiast, a bicyclist that participates in organized charity rides, and is passionate and open to new challenges and adventures.

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