

# NEWSLETTER

"STAYING INFORMED, SHAPING THE FUTURE!"



January 2026

## Capitol Advisors (CAG)

### Legislative Calendar

January 5 the legislative session takes off, and there is a new leader in the senate.

Senate President pro Tempore Monique Limón was elected to the Senate in November 2020 and represents the 21st Senate District, which includes Santa Barbara County and parts of Ventura and San Luis Obispo Counties.

### California Budget

The 26-27 budget was unveiled January 10<sup>th</sup>. Universal Meals is fully funded in the governors initial budget release.

## CDE Update

### KIT 2025

Applications due January 30, 2026

### Whole Milk Act

No action needed right now until USDA takes action

### Ramadan Waiver

CDE is requesting non-congregate feeding, meal time flexibility and offer vs Serve waivers for SNP operators to provide two meals to children observing Ramadan during the 25/26 SY.

### Dietary Guidelines

The new Dietary Guidelines for Americans has been released. View it here: [DGA](#)

## PP&L

Help shape our advocacy by completing the [Call to Priorities](#), it only takes a few minutes.

Got a great idea or success story to share? Submit it through the [Call for Proposals for LAC Sacramento](#).

Thank you for helping move our work forward, together we're stronger

### LAC Kickstart Sessions (All Are Invited!)

These sessions are open to all members attending LAC DC and/or LAC Sacramento. Join us to get prepared, aligned, and energized.

- January 22 | 3:00 PM (PT) – [Join via Zoom](#)
- March 3 | 3:00 PM (PT) – [Join via Zoom](#)
- April 7 | 3:00 PM (PT) – [Join via Zoom](#)

We hope to see you there!

## CDSS-CACFP

### Annual Mandatory Training

- The Annual Mandatory Training for SY 25/26 is ready
- Due June 30, 2026

### CACFP Stay Connected Webinar

- January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026
- The CACFP—Stay Connected Quarterly Webinar is free to attend. [Register](#) in advance for this webinar.



### Legislative Action Conferences (LAC)

[Washington, D.C.: March 8-10, 2026](#)

### Legislative Action Conferences (LAC)

[Sacramento: April 12-14, 2026](#)

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