



A NOTE FROM CSBA CEO & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR VERNON M. BILLY



Foreword

In May 2023 — months before many other organizations began formal artificial intelligence (AI) initiatives — I brought to CSBA's Board of Directors the urgent need to address AI through the creation of an AI taskforce. This once in a generation technological advancement was certain to reshape education, the economy and society and we knew we need to act to support the membership. The Board responded decisively by establishing the CSBA AI Taskforce: Education in the Age of Artificial Intelligence, a multidisciplinary body of board members, superintendents, administrators and technology experts charged with equipping governance teams to lead in the age of AI. While many conversations across government and industry have focused narrowly on classroom use, the taskforce's work addresses the full scope of AI's implications for public schools — from ethics, legal compliance and privacy to procurement, labor relations and instructional innovation — making it one of the first and most complete field-ready policy frameworks available to education leaders anywhere in the country.

Over the past two years, the AI Taskforce has produced a groundbreaking suite of resources — including the new sample Board Policy 0441 – Artificial Intelligence and related policy updates, governance scenarios, subcommittee briefs, webinars and the AI Roadmap Framework — now available at www.csba.org/AI with sample policies available to [GAMUT Policy](#) subscribers. For the first time, education leaders have an integrated, real-world set of policies against which any AI proposal, product, practice or scenario can be tested. By acting early and comprehensively, CSBA has ensured that California's school governance leaders are equipped not only to respond to AI now and in the future, but to set the standard for responsible and effective use nationwide.

Sincerely,

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