



The California Three Rs Project
of the
California County Superintendents Educational Services Association and
Freedom Forum First Amendment Center



invite
administrators, teachers, college of education faculty, and school board members
to

Moving Schools from Battleground to Common Ground

The recent election showed us that the blue states and red states are really made of deeply divided communities served by our public schools. The election, of course, didn't create the religious divide in America, it only served to highlight how deep and abiding our religious and moral differences have become. The culture-war battles of 2004 are a harbinger of even wider conflicts in 2005 and beyond. The fight over evolution entered a new phase in 2004 around the issue of "intelligent design." New court rulings related to student T-shirt messages and distribution of religious literature on elementary school campuses have left many educational leaders confused. The Pledge of Allegiance is back in the spotlight as is the gay rights issue. Learn how educators can use the First Amendment to find common ground and develop systems to deal with these very real differences without turning the schools into battlegrounds.

Presenters:

Charles Haynes, First Amendment Center Senior Scholar
Wayne Jacobsen, Founder, BridgeBuilders



April 15, 2005

8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sacramento County Office of Education

10474 Mather Boulevard

Sacramento, CA 95826

Map: <http://www.scoe.net/about/maps/index.html>

\$50 per person

(includes materials, Finding Common Ground book, and lunch)

For information contact: Margaret Hill, CA Three Rs Lead (909) 386-2611

Facility is handicapped accessible

----- Battle Ground to Common Ground Workshop -----

Name: _____

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Make check or P.O. payable to SBCSS. Mail completed registration coupon and \$50 per person to: San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools, Attention Margaret Hill, CA 3Rs Lead, 601 North E Street, San Bernardino, CA 92410-3093 Fax (909) 386=2667

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: April 4, 2005 (no refunds after deadline)