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State Support Team

The State Support Team (SST), an initiative of the Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems (SLDS) Program, is comprised of experienced state data systems experts whose primary objective is the direct support of all states in their development and use of SLDSs. An expansion of the previous Technical Assistance program, the SST assists states via webinars, working groups, best practices briefs, and on-site visits. Areas of assistance include, but are not limited to, technical design, culture change, program and project management, data governance, and the linkage of data across the P-20W spectrum (K12, early childhood, and postsecondary education; the workforce; and other sectors).

COREY CHATIS



- Senior Program Officer, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Director of Data Quality, TN DoE

Corey has over a decade of K12 public sector and philanthropic education experience. Her particular areas of expertise and passion include implementing and maturing data governance policies, structures, and processes; identifying how SLDSs can inform and influence decisions by policymakers, administrators, and educators to help better educate students; and building partnerships between state education agencies and school districts.

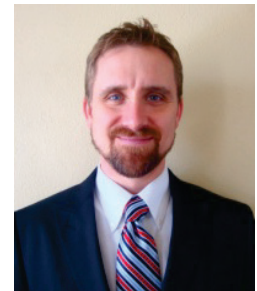
BARON RODRIGUEZ



- Director of Strategic Education Data Initiatives, AEM Corporation
- Director of State Data Systems, Data Quality Campaign
- Chief Information Officer, OR DoE

Baron has over 18 years of technology, education, government, and management experience. He oversees the NCES Privacy Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) and works closely with the Department on its privacy initiatives. Baron's areas of expertise include security, privacy, and stakeholder engagement with districts, SEA program offices, and postsecondary partners.

JIM CAMPBELL



- Integration Team Manager, OK State DoE
- Implementation Strategist, SIF Association
- Common Education Data Standard (CEDS)

Working with the OK State Dept. of Education Wave project, SIF Association, and CEDS, Jim has gained an in-depth knowledge of the realities of data standards implementation, the implications of near real-time data reporting, the importance of vendor and stakeholder engagement, and the critical nature of strong project management and data governance.

JEFF SELLERS



- Deputy Commissioner, FL DoE
- Technical Manager, FL's P-20 Education Data Warehouse

Jeff has over 30 years of experience in education data management, data systems, information security, and database administration. His areas of expertise include designing and developing P-20W SLDSs, and identifying how the collection, governance, and use of data apply to education program and policy evaluation.

ROBIN TAYLOR



- DE DoE Associate Secretary, Assessment/Accountability
- Director of Technology, DE DoE

Robin has over 35 years of experience in K12 education as a teacher and administrator at the local and state levels. Her areas of expertise and interest include connecting policy and practice for data systems, teacher evaluation, accountability, and assessments; and implementing data systems to improve instruction.

SUSAN ILLGEN



- Early Childhood Director, OK State DoE
- Executive Director, OK Early Childhood Advisory Council

Susan's experience includes over a decade of early childhood (EC) systems and policy development work. She specializes in stakeholder engagement, EC data systems development, and consensus building among diverse stakeholders. Susan's passion is for strengthening relationships across state agencies and programs.

KEITH BROWN



- Senior IPEDS Fellow, Association of Institutional Research
- Associate VP for Planning, Accountability, Research and Evaluation, NC Community College System

Keith has over three decades of experience in K-20 public education. His areas of expertise include higher education accountability, state and federal reporting (postsecondary), linking postsecondary data to K12 and workforce data, P-20W data governance policy, and student tracking for success.

MISSY COCHENOUR



- Sr. Associate of Policy Research, Data Quality Campaign
- Program Control Consultant, Program Dev. Services/Research and Evaluation, LA County (CA)

Missy has extensive EC and K12 program and policy experience at the local, state, and national levels. Her expertise and passion include EC data systems development, particularly incorporating Head Start; EC data standards; inclusion of charter schools data; stakeholder engagement; and policy development and evaluation.

