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Los Angeles School Psychologist Honored by Statewide Association

Troy Xavier Leonard, a school psychologist with the Nonpublic School Services Unit in the Los Angeles Unified School District, has been named Outstanding School Psychologist for the LAUSD region by the California Association of School Psychologists.

Mr. Leonard works with high-risk and at-risk youth and adolescents, students returning from probation and camp placements, emotionally disturbed youth, those with learning disabilities, pre-school aged students with developmental delays and those on the autism spectrum at Linden Center School and Erikson High School.

In addition to these duties, Mr. Leonard is a former chair of the 10th Los Angeles City Council District's Youth Commission and has taken a leadership role for several governing boards in that district, including the Neighborhood Council, Police Advisory Board and the Claude Pepper Senior Citizens Advisory Board.

In his letter endorsing Mr. Leonard for his Outstanding School Psychologist Award, Councilman Herb Wesson, Jr., stated that "His work in various organizations highlights his ongoing commitment to make a difference in the lives of others and his zealous spirit of caring."

CASP, with 3,000 members, is the largest state association of school psychologists in the nation. For more than 55 years, CASP has advocated on behalf of all of California's students. School psychologists offer student assessments, classroom management, program development for at-risk students and many other education and mental health services to schools and their communities.

For more information about school psychology, visit the CASP web site at www.casponline.org. For a photo of Mr. Leonard, please contact Heidi Holmblad at communications@casponline.org.

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