



April 2021

AchieveKids in the News!

Spring is in the air, and we're excited to be expanding our campuses, and having more students back on our campuses.

Recently we had the opportunity to partner with Walgreens to turn our Palo Alto campus into a vaccine clinic to support our staff and many of our students who are 18 and older. Data suggests that some of the students that we serve are in a risk category based on their special needs. In line with AchieveKids enhancing overall safety, we were able to broker this partnership to help create access to a single shot vaccine for our students in a familiar setting with familiar individuals around them. It was a great success, and we were thrilled to have Walgreens as our partner.

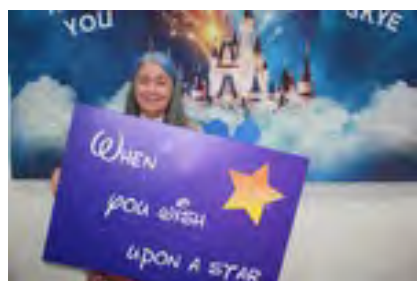
Read more about our clinic in the Palo Alto Weekly, [As schools reopen, some offer on-campus vaccination sites!](#)

Together We Can Achieve
Ryan C. Eisenberg
Executive Director



Skye Carey Announces Her Retirement

After 40+ amazing years at AchieveKids Skye will be leaving at the end of ESY.



Skye started at AchieveKids in 1978 as a teacher intern. She spent 25 years as a teacher in the LIFE classroom in Palo Alto, 15 years as the School Director in San Jose and the last few years as our Program Specialist at both sites. What an amazing career. AchieveKids is so fortunate to have benefitted from Skye's incredible depth of knowledge. We wanted to share some quotes from our staff about Skye:

- "I have so appreciated your time, consideration, expertise, guidance and patience as you have helped me to navigate through IEPs and such! My take-aways will be your breadth of knowledge, your kindness and your approach to having me really learn how to do IEPs."
- "Although you never gave me the answers, you always guided me to find a resolution. Most of all you believed in me and my skills and that alone made me believe in myself and caused me to

become a better employee and an overall better person.”

- “I was fortunate to have worked in your classroom when you were a teacher. I learned a lot from you during my ten years there. You will be missed.”
- “You are an amazing lady! Thank you for all the family advice and your loving support.”
- “Your support and abundance of guidance can't be expressed in few words. You are a great mentor, a kind hearted person, and always offering help.”
- “You have always been a model of goofiness, fun, tenacity, commitment at the soul-level, smarts, and as sentimental as it sounds Love & Spirit.”
- In Ryan's words: “I am sure everyone joins me in offering our appreciation and absolute respect for what you have done for AchieveKids and for so many lives of young people through the years. You have been an amazing part of our community, and we look forward to celebrating your incredible career hopefully in the near future.”



In Skye's words, “It's been fun.”

Thanks Skye for everything!

Watch for details about a celebration for Skye sometime this summer.



Ready, Set, Achieve!



We are excited to announce our new virtual event, Ready, Set, Achieve! With nicer weather and more daylight it is time to get outdoors and get moving. We hope you will participate either individually or form a team and walk, run or bike during the week of June 5 – June 13th and raise money for AchieveKids.

Registration will open Saturday, May 1st. Look for more information on our website starting April 28th!

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