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CABE 2026 Bilingual Teachership Guidelines

The CABE 2026 Bilingual Teachership Award is an endowment fund established by CABE to award \$2,000 to college and university students seeking a teaching career and pursuing a bilingual teaching credential/authorization. CABE encourages members who are enrolled in a college or university and have declared a major leading to a California bilingual teaching credential/authorization to apply for a CABE Bilingual Teachership Award. CABE chapter leaders, regional representatives, and individual members may nominate college and university students for the Bilingual Teachership Awards. Winners will be notified on January 15, 2026.

Teachership recipients will be awarded at the CABE 2026 Annual Conference. Nominees must be a CABE member to be eligible to receive this award. To renew, join, or to review your membership status, please contact membership@gocabe.org.

Eligibility Criteria

- Must be a CABE member
- Must be a resident of California
- Must be enrolled in a college/university with a declared major leading to a bilingual teaching credential/authorization (BILA, elementary/secondary) and be currently enrolled

Submission Deadline

All entries must be received via online application by **December 5, 2025, at 11:59 PM (Pacific Time)** including all required documents. *Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted.*

Submission Requirements

- A personal statement (maximum 250 words)
- A nomination letter from a CABE chapter leader, regional representative, or other active CABE member
- A letter of recommendation from a current professional reference such as a professor, program coordinator, or current supervisor
- A copy of college/university transcript (an unofficial copy is acceptable)
- A current class schedule
- A high-resolution (at least 300 dpi) head-and-shoulders photo

Award Package Includes:

- Recognition at the CABE 2026 Awards Luncheon, Thursday, March 5, 2026 in San Francisco, CA.
- An award of \$2,000
- Complimentary registration to the CABE 2026 Annual Conference
- One (1) night hotel lodging
- Two (2) Awards Luncheon tickets (one for teachership recipient and one for a guest)

Teachership Descriptions



IVANNIA SOTO TEACHERSHIP AWARD

This award honors the legacy of Dr. Ivannia Soto, a champion for the equitable education of multilingual learners across the state and country. This fund has been established in partnership with Dr. Soto's longtime publisher, Corwin, to support educators who are dedicated to advancing linguistically and culturally responsive teaching practices. A passionate advocate for the use of effective teaching strategies in multilingual classrooms, the impact Dr. Soto has made through her professional contributions of research, pedagogy and professional development has been transformative. Her unrelenting dedication to K-12 educators and the belief in a promising future for the children they serve, Dr. Soto's legacy is a reminder of the ongoing need to increase dual language education in schools with highly qualified educators while affirming the assets of all multilingual students.



CARLOS PENICHET TEACHERSHIP AWARD

Carlos Penichet and Jeff Jorge Penichet recognized the need for classroom bilingual materials and established the Bilingual Educational Services, Inc. for the purpose of developing innovative materials for use in bilingual education. Carlos Penichet's untimely death ended the life of a young compassionate and caring individual. Jeff Jorge Penichet established an endowment trust fund with CABE, Carlos Penichet Scholarship Fund in 1992.



ALMA FLOR ADA TEACHERSHIP AWARD

Dr. Alma Flor Ada has inspired many children, parents and educators throughout her lifelong work as an educator and author. She is a leader, mentor, and teacher for many outstanding individuals who completed their doctorates under her guidance and who now serve multilingual and English learner students in a variety of district, school, and university positions. In 2008, Alma Flor Ada's family along with F. Isabel Campoy established the Alma Flor Ada Teachership Award.



F. ISABEL CAMPOY TEACHERSHIP AWARD

Isabel Campoy is a well-known author of numerous children's books in the areas of poetry, theater, folktales, biographies, and art. She is a researcher and author of several books on the culture and civilization of the Hispanic world. A songwriter and storyteller, Isabel's goal is to provide children with the key to interpreting the world in a fun, challenging, and affirming way. Isabel has authored books to facilitate language acquisition and development, to discover the playful possibilities of language and to explain the history of the Spanish language.