

NANCY TAYLOR
Acting Executive Director

Nancy Taylor serves on the executive committee for San Diego Science Alliance. In this role, she advises the organization on educational issues. She is also the co-principal investigator for the PISCES program's Graduate Teaching Fellowship initiative.

Taylor brings a wealth of education experience to the Science Alliance. She currently serves as the science coordinator/curriculum specialist for K-12 science education at the San Diego Office of Education. In this role, she coordinates and develops all aspects of science education for San Diego County K-12 in-service teachers. In addition, she manages many of the professional programs available to in-service teachers. Taylor is also an adjunct professor of education at San Diego State University's School of Education.

Teaching and school administration roles have given Taylor a broad background in education. She has been both an elementary school principal and district science coordinator for the Ramona Unified School District. She was a classroom teacher in the Ramona and San Diego Unified School Districts. Taylor has taught courses in Teacher Education at the University of California San Diego (UCSD), University of California Irvine, Point Loma College and Chapman University. She served as co-director for UCSD's California Science Project and was a science-teaching consultant for the California Department of Education.

A well-recognized expert on education, Taylor has authored numerous articles on teaching strategies published by the San Diego County Office of Education, the California Department of Education and several professional development journals. Through her broad range of experience in various areas of San Diego's educational system, Taylor has built a large network of professional educators and education researchers who collaborate under her leadership to improve science education in San Diego County.

Taylor received her master's in Educational Administration in 1995 from the United States International University. She holds a California multiple subject teaching credential with an emphasis in general science and bilingual/crosscultural education. Taylor also earned a master's in history and bachelor's in Latin American Studies from San Diego State University.