

## DeWayne Cossey



Mr. DeWayne Cossey started as the Director of Information Technology for Vista Unified School District in 2012. Since being appointed director, DeWayne has accelerated Vista's transition to future ready learning by implementing cost effective solutions such as Google Workspace for all staff and students, upgrading wireless to support a 1:1 computing environment, and providing other innovative solutions. Known as a catalyst for change, Mr. Cossey's continued effort to improve student learning through the use of technology embodies the mission, vision, and values of the Vista Unified School District. As a result, Vista Unified was entered into Digital Promise's League of Innovative Schools, a national coalition of forward thinking school districts.

In addition to his duties as the Director of Information Technology, DeWayne served on the BITE Board from 2018 -2022. His thoughtful input has been invaluable as CITE

continues to grow. He graduated from the Chief Technology Officer Program in 2008 with the second cohort and has served as a mentor. He served as Secretary for two years and has cohosted the Showdown sessions at the conference for several years. He is also the past co-founder for the San Diego County Regional Group.

Mr. Cossey has been recognized for his commitment to educational excellence and innovation by the Vista Education Foundation and has been a finalist for San Diego Magazine's Top Tech Exec Award. DeWayne was also recently recognized as the Technology Educator of the year by the Vista Chamber of Commerce and was the recipient of Vista Unified's Golden Apple award.