



October 23, 2023

Join our mailing list!

Dear Carissa,

Good morning! I hope you had a nice weekend. We have negotiations on Wednesday. Please remember to wear your CVTA shirt that day to show your support for our team.

There is a CVUSD School Board meeting this Thursday, October 26, 2023. The links to view from home and to submit comments are below in the calendar. Better yet, please join us in person by 5:30 p.m.! I hope to see you there.

#### **We still need volunteers!**

CVTA will have a table at the CVUSD Resource Fair on Saturday, November 4, 2023, from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. If you would like to volunteer some time to help provide resources to community members, please contact our Organizing Chair, Rachel Flores, at [rkuiland@yahoo.com](mailto:rkuiland@yahoo.com). Even 15 minutes of your time will help!

#### **Bargaining Team Site Visits**

Members from Eboard and the Bargaining Team have made all their site visits. They will hold one last Zoom session today for anyone who wasn't able to attend the meeting at their own site. This also includes CVHS, whose meeting was cancelled due to admin releasing staff early and not allowing for CVTA time. Please join us if you are able to.

**Note: This is not for bargaining unit members to suggest topics to bargain. It is for sharing recent information and to take questions.**

Join Zoom Meeting at 4:30 pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81364237207>

Meeting ID: 813 6423 7207

#### **CVTA Social Events**

- **Taylor Swift's Eras Tour Movie - CVTA Private Party.** We have reserved seating for 40 people on Saturday, October 28th @ 12:00 p.m., at the Cinemark Century Theater in La Quinta. The cost is \$5 per person to attend. [Sign up here](#). **Last chance! There are a few seats left...please join us! We are now allowing guests of members!**
- Please watch this space as we plan other fun events throughout the year! If you have any suggestions, please let me know.

#### **Important to Know**

Many of you have reached out to discuss the new evaluation forms (Classroom Teachers only have new forms). There seems to be a belief that you are being evaluated on more standards than in the past. This is not actually correct, and the CSTPs have not changed since 2009. The paperwork formatting is new, but nothing about the contractual evaluation process has changed at all. If you continue to have questions, please email me to ask.

#### **CVTA Member Spotlight** ([Nominate someone here](#))

This week we would like to recognize **Nick Ramos, WSHS!** Nick was nominated by a colleague who wishes to remain anonymous. Here is what that colleague had to say:

I want to give a shout out to Mr. Ramos who, year after year, guides our seniors through their ASB responsibilities! He's always creating new fundraising opportunities, coming up with cool ideas, and inspiring students with his art! We appreciate you Mr. Ramos, thank you for all you do at West Shores!

Congratulations to Nick Ramos, WSHS!

Wishing you all another great week!

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## Important Dates

**Virtual RETIREMENT WORKSHOP**

**Description**  
You're never too young or old to learn about your CalSTRS benefits, programs, and services. There will be materials and discussion of the CalSTRS retirement benefit formula, options, Defined Benefit Supplemental program, survivor benefits, legislative changes, and Social Security Offsets.

**Topics Include**

- STRS - Overview of The System and How It Works
- Social Security - Effects on CalSTRS Members

**Time**  
All workshops are from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

**Space**  
Registration is limited to 300 participants for each workshop. If you get a message that the workshop is full, please select a different date.

Presented via WebEX

**2023**

- Monday, September 11, 2023
- Monday, September 18, 2023
- Tuesday, October 10, 2023
- Thursday, October 12, 2023
- Tuesday, November 7, 2023
- Tuesday, December 5, 2023
- Thursday, December 7, 2023

**2024**

- Tuesday, January 16, 2024
- Thursday, February 1, 2024
- Thursday, February 8, 2024
- Tuesday, March 5, 2024
- Tuesday, March 12, 2024
- Thursday, April 4, 2024

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CalPERS Members  
Wednesday,  
November 8, 2023

**REGISTER HERE**

To cancel your registration, please contact: Gina Domenici at [gdomenici@cta.org](mailto:gdomenici@cta.org)

- **October 24th** - CVTA Executive Board Meeting 4:30 pm
- **October 25th** - Negotiations...please support your team by wearing your CVTA shirts!
- **October 26th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#)).

([Submit public comments here](#))

- **October 28th** - CVTA's Private Swiftie Party 12 pm
- **November 10th** - Veterans Day Holiday
- **November 14th** - Middle School Conferences
- **November 15th** - CVTA Site Rep Meeting 4:30 pm via Zoom
- **November 16th** - High School Conferences
- **November 16th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#)).

([Submit public comments here](#))

- **November 17th** - Secondary Minimum Day (2 hour early release)
- **November 20th-24th** - Thanksgiving Break
- **November 28th** - Deadline for 1st Year Probationary Evaluation meetings to take place
- **November 28th** - CVTA Eboard Meeting 4:30 pm via Zoom
- **November 29th** - CVTA Virtual Office Hours 4:30-5:30 pm via Zoom



**Carissa Carrera**  
CVTA President

"An injury to one is an injury to all."

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