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Dear Carissa,

Good morning! It's election week. This is the last chance to get the word out about our endorsed candidates. You can go on Facebook and Instagram to copy and share posts about our endorsed candidates. Please get the word out!

Join the CVTA focused LCAP Zoom meeting today! Details below.

Last Wednesday, as you know, was a difficult day. It goes to prove that we need to take threats and reports of possible threats seriously. Keeping students and staff safe should be the #1 priority. I went to CVHS to help out and while not everything was perfect throughout the entire reunification process, I was amazed at how quickly everyone came together to organize the process of getting the students back with their families. Moving forward, there are some things to learn from this experience and the district is working on that. **One thing that is important to remember is that as educators, we are obligated to remain with our students throughout any emergency, even if that means we are there for hours beyond the end of the workday, missing lunch, missing prep, etc. This is both the law and is contractual.**

This week, I will be attending meetings for LCAP, Member Representation, Interviews, District Budget, CVTA Rep Council, Programs Committee, an informal Local Presidents Meeting, and Ed Services.

Here are a few important items to share this week:

- **November Election:** CTA has a resource for us to use as a guide for voting in the November election. You can also share it with others! I don't need to tell each of you how important it is to vote in support of public education. Find the guide here: <https://www.cta.org/our-advocacy/election-2022/recommendations-2022>
- **CVTA only LCAP Virtual Meeting:** You should have received an email last Friday afternoon announcing an LCAP Meeting on Monday 11/7/22 from 4:30-5:30 pm. This is only for CVTA members, and it is an opportunity for you to hear directly from the district about spending priorities and for you to have an opportunity to share your thoughts, concerns, and ideas about how spending is prioritized in our district. Please join and have your voice heard! Meeting ID is 828 2695 4641, and the password is CVTA. Hope to see you on Zoom!

CVTA Member Spotlight: [You may nominate someone here.](#)

This week we are proud to recognize **Jose Paz** at **Westside**!

**Jose Paz** was nominated by a colleague, Juleeanna Rios, and here is what Juleeanna had to share with us:

It is my privilege to recommend my colleague, Mr. Jose Paz, to receive the Spotlight Member! Jose is our intervention teacher for 3-6 grade, at Westside Elementary. I have been fortunate to work with him for the past few years. In that time, I have worked with Jose as a grade level colleague. We have served together on PLCs and AVID Teams at our school, we have planned events such as Science Kick off Week, and Egg Drop Challenge to build community among our students and staff. He is a mentor to our students with Joven Noble Group, Sharing his curriculum plans, helping us build lesson. Jose deserves this honor, he is popular with our students, staff and families. Mr. Paz loves his profession, he is kind, fun, and cares about the students at Westside. Jose get to know every student and his whole teaching approach involves finding what the student's unique strengths to help them overcome their struggles and develop a positive self-concept. Again, Mr. Paz deserves this recognition as Spotlight Member.

Congratulations to **Jose Paz** for being this week's CVTA member in the spotlight!

**Coaches Corner** [TK12support@cvusd.us](mailto:TK12support@cvusd.us)  
Transformational Justice Model

One crucial piece to our Transformational Justice Model is to increase student voice in the classroom. By increasing student voice it allows students to increase student achievement and allows them to increase their sense of belonging, increase engagement, and build relationships with peers and teachers. The coaches found a great article with suggestions for increasing student voice in the classroom. [Simple Ways to Promote Student Voice in the Classroom](#) (Hyperlink) discussed how having a welcoming environment (another part of our TJ Model), the need to have consistent opportunities for student voice, have students share about their lives outside of the classroom, and have them provide feedback and use that to improve your classroom.

Our TK12 Instructional Coaches will have open office hours this week to help with anything from the [Coaches Corner Menu](#) or other needs.

Pop on into our Zoom:

**Tuesday from 1:30 to 4:30**

<https://cvusd-us.zoom.us/j/81603174702pwd=WHJOVWVsYmRjSsnl2YmFBMnE0M212QT09>

Meeting ID: 816 0317 4702

Passcode: 667008

#### **Reporting COVID Illnesses or seeking COVID Information**

Please continue to report any positive tests to [contact\\_tracing@cvusd.us](mailto:contact_tracing@cvusd.us). If you need information about which leaves are available, please use the [HRleaves@cvusd.us](mailto:HRleaves@cvusd.us) email.

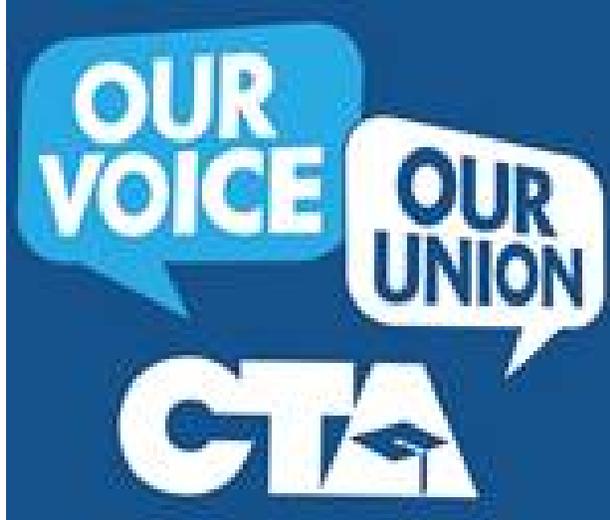
**Have a great week!**

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## **Important Dates**

- **November 9th** - CVTA Rep Council, 4:30 pm on Zoom
- **November 11** - Veterans' Day Holiday
- **November 15th** - CVTA Virtual Office Hours, 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm on Zoom
- **November 17th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting, 5:30 pm ([Live Stream Link here](#))([Submit public comments here](#))
- **November 21st - 25th** - Thanksgiving Break
- **November 30th** - Bargaining Day - Please support your team by wearing a CVTA shirt!
- **November 30th** - CVTA Exec. Board Mtg. 4:30 pm on Zoom

- **December 7th** - Bargaining Day - Please support your team by wearing a CVTA shirt!



**Carissa Carrera**

CVTA President

"You can't do it unless you organize."

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