



December 11, 2023

Join our mailing list!

Dear Carissa,

Good morning! I hope you had a wonderful weekend.

There is a CVUSD School Board meeting this week. Please see the calendar below for the links to watch the meeting online or to submit comments to be read aloud at the meeting. Your support by attending the meeting in person would be preferred, however. Hope to see you there wearing your CVTA shirt!

We also have Rep Council this week on Tuesday. If there is anything you would like your site reps to bring to leadership's attention, please make sure to reach out to them before Tuesday afternoon.

### Important to Know

- You are not required to use your personal devices, such as cell phones, for the PBIS app, the Raptor app, or to take attendance. You can choose to do so, of course, but not a requirement at all.
- The technology department will be sending out directions soon about logging in to Apple ID on your district devices, including some safe guards. Keep an eye out for that email!
- As you know, our bargaining team declared impasse on Friday and will be filing an unfair labor practice charge as well. Look for more details about this soon.

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

There were no new nominations this week. We know there are members doing great things. Please take a minute to nominate one of your colleagues.

Wishing you all another great week!

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### Important Dates

- **December 12th** - CVTA Rep Council Mtg. @ CDA Library 4:30 pm
- **December 14th** - CVUSD Organizational School Board Meeting @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#)). ([Submit public comments here](#))
- **December 18th** - CVTA Virtual Office Hours 4:30-5:30 pm via Zoom
- **December 19th** - CVTA Eboard Meeting 4:30 pm via Zoom

# Addressing Special Education Challenges Spring Webinar Series

CTA members continue to face challenges as they related to workload and district support when delivering Special Education services and supporting the needs of students with IEPs. CTA has programs and resources to help local associations get the help that they need in order to better support students, educators, and their communities.

All sessions are 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

JAN 22,  
2024

## NAVIGATING SPECIAL EDUCATION AS A GENERAL EDUCATION TEACHER

Past and present teacher education programs provide deficits in learning about how to navigate Special Education. In this training, we will discuss Individual Education Plan (IEP) meetings, responsibilities, and legal obligations to provide individualized instruction to students and to participate in the IEP process. We will also briefly discuss instructional strategies, approaches, and how to understand accommodations and modifications.

FEB 12,  
2024

## IEP RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

This training is for all school staff. We will review IEP meeting and attendance expectations, school personnel and parent training, miscellaneous IEP and Special Ed "must knows" and we will also review compliance complaint procedures.

FEB 26,  
2024

## ORGANIZING AROUND SPECIAL EDUCATION ISSUES

This workshop is designed for association leaders who are dealing with Special Education issues in their districts. Participants will learn strategies to build effective advocacy campaigns to support the learning conditions of students and the working conditions of teachers. We will use a social justice lens to examine how to build this work from the ground up.

APR 22,  
2024

## REMOVING THE BARRIERS TO LEARNING THROUGH UNIVERSAL DESIGN FOR LEARNING (UDL)

How do you currently remove learning barriers for students in your classroom? UDL is an evidence-based framework that can empower educators to remove barriers for students in your classroom, in order to create more access to the curriculum and content. Learn about how to implement evidence-based strategies and supports into your daily routines and classroom curriculum.



Information, resources, and programs listed are available at: [www.cta.org/special-education-resources](http://www.cta.org/special-education-resources)

TO REGISTER GO TO:



- December 21st - Negotiations...please wear your CVTA shirts in support!
- December 25th-29th - Winter Break
- January 1st-5th - Winter Break
- January 9th - Organizing meeting at Starbucks, 4-5 p.m., 50-150 Cesar Chavez
- January 12th - Negotiations...please wear your CVTA shirts in support!



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

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