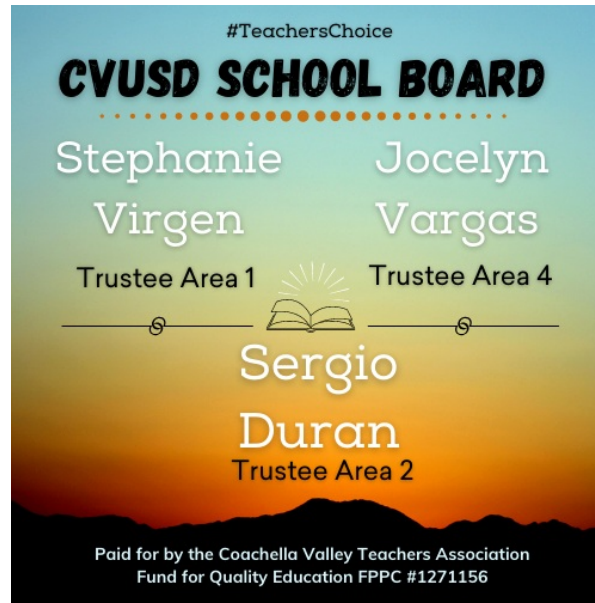


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## Greetings!

Good morning! Hopefully this finds you and your family healthy and safe.

### Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank

If you aren't already enrolled in the Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank, September is your month to do it. Open enrollment closes after September 30th after which only new hires can join. This is a great back up to have BEFORE you need it because you can't join after you need it. Read through the contract language about this sick leave bank on pages 25-28 of the CBA, and contact Lorena Gamez in HR to join ([lorena.gamez@cvusd.us](mailto:lorena.gamez@cvusd.us) or 760.848.1091).

[Read the Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank information in our CBA here](#)

### Training opportunity for members in the San Gorgonio area (that's you)

On Saturday September 26th, CTA's San Gorgonio Service Center Council is holding a virtual conference, and you are free to attend. Sessions include: Taking Care of Yourself During a Pandemic and Beyond, Teachers and the Law, and Altered Reality - Teaching in a Virtual World.

Use the link below to register. Registration closes on 9/23/2020.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=eYLkLdOcyk2i1KZORoXxMeBW42go12NOuvaZiIqIv0qdUNjE1VkpGS1FHSFEyMk9SR1dNTFhBRENUWi4u>

### School Board Elections

CVTA's Rep Council has approved the endorsement of three candidates for CVUSD School Board:

- Stephanie Virgen for Trustee Area 1
- Sergio Duran for Trustee Area 2
- Jocelyn Vargas for Trustee Area 4
- There is no endorsement for Trustee Area 3.

We will need your time and support for our endorsed candidates by helping out with CVTA election activities. Please let us know if you are willing to volunteer your time, and how you prefer to help.

### Performance Plans

Every year each of us has to complete a Performance Plan. You are not required to use every standard in each section. You may pick and choose what you'd like to focus on for the year because they are basically your goals for the year.

The plans should come to you either blank or in an editable format so you can add or remove things to make it your own. Please reach out to your reps if you have questions about the performance plans.

### CVTA Virtual Office Hours

Our monthly virtual office hours will be held on Wednesday September 23rd from 4:30-5:30. This is a time for you to log on and get answers to questions you may have, or to share a concern with us. You may drop in to visit anytime during that hour.

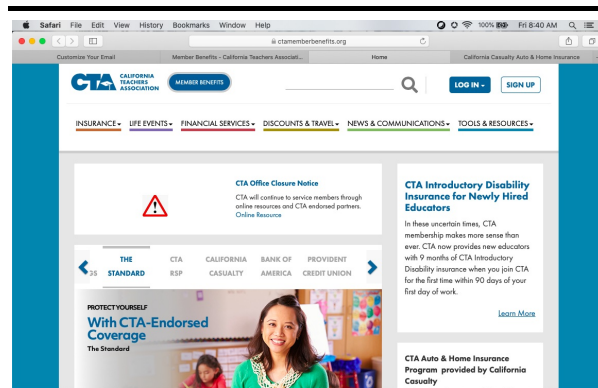
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Thank you for everything you do...it does not go unnoticed! Have a great week!



### Important Dates

- **September - All month**...Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank Open Enrollment
- **September 23rd** - CVTA Virtual Office Hours 4:30-5:30 pm
- **September 24th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting
- **September 30th** - CVTA Eboard Meeting 4:00 pm
- **September 30th** - Site Budget Notification Deadline (contractual)
- **October 8th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting
- **October 14th** - CVTA Rep Council Meeting, 4:30 pm

**Carissa Carrera**

CVTA President

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

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