



August 16, 2021

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## Greetings!

Good morning! I hope everyone had a great first week back. I made some site visits, and I think both the staff and the students were equally excited to return in person!

I do know there were a few people having a hard time adjusting to being in a room with several other people. This is totally understandable after 17 months of staying home and isolating as much as possible. As CVUSD employees, each of us has access to mental health services as part of our health plans. Don't hesitate to access that help if and when it is needed, or even just reach out and talk to a friend. Let's check in on each other, as well. Talk to your neighbors and see how they are doing. The pandemic affects each of us differently, and working together is how we will get through it.

The Employee Assistance Program (EAP) provides employees and their household members with free, confidential assistance to help with personal or professional problems that may interfere with work or family responsibilities and obligations. Services are confidential and are available 24/7 via a toll free nationwide number 800-999-7222. Employees and their household members can receive up to 6 counseling sessions per person, per problem, per year.

## Face Masks

Several people contacted me last week about students refusing to wear face masks and admin not supporting them with enforcing the mask wearing. As a teacher you of course have to first do your part (discuss expectations, model and reinforce, warn, contact parents) before it goes to admin. The District is supposed to have a plan in place to enforce mask wearing, according to the CDPH guidelines. Please let me know if you aren't receiving support after you've done your part.

## Site Rep Elections

Site Rep Election information was emailed via the CVTA district email account on Friday afternoon. Nominations open today at those sites with vacancies. Please follow the instructions for nominations so we can have proper representation at each site.

## CVTA Virtual Office Hours

We will hold Virtual Office Hours on Zoom this week from 4:30-5:30 pm to allow you the opportunity to drop in and ask questions. Hope to see you there!

Topic: CVTA August Virtual Office Hours

Time: Aug 17, 2021 04:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87941277477>

Meeting ID: 879 4127 7477

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## Special Enrollment Opportunity for CVTA Members - Now Open

CVTA and CTA have made it possible for you to apply for CTA-endorsed Disability and Life

Insurance with Standard Insurance Company (The Standard) starting **August 15, 2021**.  
Sign up for text alerts to get a reminder when enrollment opens by texting **1033** to **74050**.  
Learn more at [standard.com/cta/coachella](http://standard.com/cta/coachella)

### Reporting COVID Illnesses or seeking COVID Information

If you need information about what leaves are available or to report a positive COVID case, please use the [HRleaves@cvusd.us](mailto:HRleaves@cvusd.us) email, as well as the appropriate form in School Stream.

As always, thank you for everything you do for the students of CVUSD!

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### Important Dates

- **August 17th** - CVTA Virtual Office Hours 4:30-5:30 pm
- **August 19th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting, 5:30 pm ([Live Stream Link here](#))
- **August 25th** - CVTA Executive Board Meeting 4:00 pm
- **August 27th** — POSSIBLE CVTA Welcome Back Social, location and time TBD POSTPONED
- **September 1st** - Catastrophic Sick Bank enrollment opens
- **September 2nd** - CVUSD School Board Meeting, 5:30 pm ([Live Stream Link here](#))
- **September 6th** - Labor Day Holiday
- **September 8th** - CVTA Rep Council Meeting @ 4:30 pm
- **September 9th** - Deadline to balance class sizes
- **September 16th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting, 5:30 pm ([Live Stream Link here](#))
- **September 18th** - Low Desert Virtual Leadership Conference (for site reps and committee chairs)
- **September 21st** - CVTA Virtual Office Hours 4:30-5:30 pm
- **September 29th** - CVTA Executive Board Meeting 4:00 pm

**Carissa Carrera**

CVTA President

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

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