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Dear Carissa,

Good morning. I hope you had a nice weekend! This is the last week to sign up for the Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank...don't miss out!

There seems to be a rise in the amount of threats of violence in schools and/or classrooms. Please be sure to look at the contract language related to Safety ([Article XIII...click here.](#))

CVTA Executive Board members will begin making site visits today. If you haven't been notified of the date and time for our visit, please ask your site reps. We look forward to seeing you!

Here are a few important items to share this week:

- **Printers:** If you do not have a working printer in your room, or access to one very near your room, please let me know. No one should purchase ink using their own money. (Please do not send again if you have already let me know.). CVTA is working with Assistant Superintendent Mayela Salcedo to address these concerns.
- **Air Conditioners:** I would also like to know if you continue to have issues with your AC after submitting any work orders. (Please do not send again if you have already let me know.). CVTA is working with Assistant Superintendent Mayela Salcedo to address these concerns.
- **ELD Rotations for Elementary:** These are mandatory with the exception of Dual Language K-3, who will begin rotations later in the year. Your class size ratios still apply during this time (1:30 or 1:24).
- **Administrative Job Description Updates:** Nearly every administrative position received an update to their duties and pay last week at the board meeting. The increases to pay ranged from 4.9% to 13%. These are available to be viewed on the board agenda on the CVUSD website.
- **CVTA Bargaining Dates:** We are scheduled to begin meeting with the district on October 20th to commence negotiations. As in the past, updates will be emailed the same day.
- **PD Day October 3rd:** This is a non-student day. We've seen a draft of what will be offered, but do not have all the specifics. The trainings will be in-person and at various sites depending on grade levels. Hopefully something will be sent soon from Ed Services.

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

This week we are proud to recognize **both Adam Santana and Jose Antonio "Tony" Vargas at Toro Canyon!**

Adam and Tony were nominated by a colleague who wishes to remain anonymous and here is what that colleague had to share with us:

I cannot choose just one of these two gentlemen. They are the resident dynamic duo of Toro Canyon. Both of these individuals have worked tirelessly and relentlessly to turn the culture of our school site to a positive environment for both students and staff. They have served as the much needed mentors to a countless number of young men at Toro. I am constantly inspired and motivated by both Adam and Tony and they BOTH deserve all the accolades and celebrations available to them.

Congratulations to Adam Santana and Tony Vargas for being this week's CVTA member(s) in the spotlight!

### CVTA Site Representation

We still need reps at the following sites. Please contact me if you are interested!

- BD: one rep Oriana Ruggiero. **one vacancy**
- CDA: one rep Jeff Kruger, **one vacancy**
- DO: **one vacancy**
- TC: one rep Michael Seeder. **one vacancy**
- VV: one rep Carlos Villa, **one vacancy**

Coaches Corner [TK12support@cvusd.us](mailto:TK12support@cvusd.us)

### English Learner Tips and Tricks:

Think-Pair-Share and Wait Time - English Learners need time to process information. Keep in mind that EL students will most likely need to translate questions, formulate an answer and then translate it back to English. This is a process that can take a bit of time, so it's important to give students a chance to think through their answers rather than demanding a quick answer. Using teaching strategies like Think-Pair-Share will give students time to process information, answer confidently and increase participation.

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:

Monday at 1:30 to 4:30 or Thursday at 7:30 to 10:30

<https://cvusd->

[us.zoom.us/j/81603174702pwd=WHJOVWVsYmRjSsnl2YmFBMnE0M212QT09](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

- **September 1-30** - Catastrophic Bank Open Enrollment
- **September 28th** - CVTA Eboard meeting, 4:30 pm
- **September 30th** - Site Budget notification deadline

Carissa Carrera  
CVTA President

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

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