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February 20, 2024

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Good morning! I hope your second 3-day weekend was wonderful!

Today we have our monthly Virtual Office Hours from 4:30-5:30. Please join us if you can.

Topic: February Office Hours

Time: Feb 20, 2024 04:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82758406055>

Meeting ID: 827 5840 6055

At last week's School Board Meeting the following items were approved:

- **Retirement Notification Incentive:** You have until March 1st to notify the district of your retirement in order to receive a bonus of 15% of your salary (not to exceed \$20,000). This is not something you will see again for quite a while, so if you are ready to retire after this school year, don't wait to notify them! Here are some upcoming STRS meetings - [Here is one in Indio this week](#) and [here is one in Palm Springs later in April](#). You can also call CalSTRS at (800) 228-5453 select #3.
- **Three new job descriptions:** Secondary MTSS Coach, Elementary Literacy Coach, and Elementary Math Coach job descriptions were approved and are currently being flown on Ed Join if you are interested in applying. These are positions for next school year (with the exception of the 9 Literacy Coach positions being funded by a grant, which have been flown several times already).
- **70 RIF Notices:** These RIFs are due to the elimination of the District TK-12 Coaching program (6) and the Elementary Intervention program (52) as well as 12 positions due to declining enrollment. We believe the RIF notices will be delivered to teachers the week of February 26th. Remember, it is the district's intention to keep everyone but they are required to meet certain deadlines just in case. **If you receive a notice, please plan to attend the CVTA Meeting with our assigned attorney and CTA Staff to walk you through the process and paperwork (tentatively scheduled for 2/28/24, location TBD).** Your site reps should provide you with a packet to complete and bring to this meeting. Only CVTA Members are eligible for representation regarding RIF notices.

Important to Know

- **Bargaining Zoom Meetings:** We will hold three Zoom Meetings next week to provide everyone with another opportunity to provide input into bargaining priorities. They will be 2/27 from 6-7 pm, 2/28 from 5-6 pm, and 2/29 from 5-6 pm. Links will be included in next week's email.
- Quick reminder that the raise and the retro should be on your next paycheck (end of February). Contact your payroll clerk if you have questions. (For those receiving the attendance stipend, that also should be on the February check.)

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

This week we would like to recognize **Victoria Romero (WSHS/SV)**. Victoria was nominated by

a member who wishes to remain anonymous.

Here is what that member has to say about Victoria Romero:

Ms. Romero has been an asset to both Sea View Elementary and West Shores High School. As a psychologist, she has kept the tenacity with a strong influx of qualifying students into SAI services. We are fortunate to have Ms. Romero on our team. Her service, counsel, and guidance has been a blessing to our students and our team. Thank you, Ms. Romero!

Congratulations to Victoria Romero! Keep up the great work!

Wishing you all another great week!

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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

TO REGISTER GO TO:



Important Dates

- **February 20th:** CVTA Virtual Office Hours 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
- **February 27th:** CVTA Eboard Meeting 4:30 pm via Zoom
- **February 27th:** Bargaining Zoom 6-7 pm
- **February 28th:** Tentative RIF Meeting, Location TBD
- **February 28th:** Bargaining Zoom 5-6 pm
- **February 29th:** Bargaining Zoom 5-6 pm
- **March 6th:** CVUSD PD Day (non-student day)
- **March 7th:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#)). ([Submit public comments here](#))
- **March 12th:** CVTA Rep Council Mtg. 4:30 pm @ CDA Library
- **March 19th:** CVTA Virtual Office Hours 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
- **March 21st:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#)). ([Submit public comments here](#))
- **March 26th:** CVTA Eboard Meeting 4:30 pm via Zoom
- **March 29th:** Good Friday - No School
- April 1st through 5th: Spring Break



Carissa Carrera
CVTA President

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

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