

January 12, 2026



**Coachella Valley Teachers
Association**

**California Teachers
Association**

**National Education
Association**

Join our email list!

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Good morning!

We have a Rep Council Meeting this week, so please make sure to share any concerns or questions with your Site Rep(s) or Eboard Rep!

We also have Bargaining on Thursday as well as a School Board Meeting. Wear a CVTA shirt to show your support!

Please note that there is a temporary issue with my work phone. If you need to reach me this week, please send an email. I will be unable to receive texts or phone calls.

Prop 55 Signatures

Your CVTA Site Rep(s) should have discussed Prop 55 with you and given you an opportunity to sign the petition to get the matter on the ballot. We will be collecting the signature sheets this Friday! I've included a flyer below showing that **our district stands to lose more than \$24 million if Prop 55 is not extended**. Please make sure you have signed the petition!

School Board Meeting 1/15/26

There is a school board meeting this week. Please join us if you can, or watch online. Remember that comments submitted online will likely not be read aloud. You must appear in person to have your comments heard (based on previous school board actions).

- [Find the agenda here](#) (posted Monday evening)
- [Submit comments here](#) (prior to 3 pm on the day of the meeting)
- [Watch the meeting here](#)

Although there is no schedule posted yet for 2026 **Facility Committee Meetings**, there will likely be one, prior to this month's school board meeting, at 3:30 p.m. [You can watch online here](#).

Retirement

If you are thinking about retiring in the next few years, consider signing up for one of the local CalSTRS sessions listed on the flyer below. Those are group sessions and are not intended for those of you wanting to retire this year. For a personalized appointment, you can call the same number listed on the flyer, and options will be provided for the various meeting types.

Grievances

If you need to file a grievance, [begin here by completing the form](#) so our Grievance Chair, Ethan Lubin, can guide you. You can also reach him at grievancescvta@gmail.com.

Have a great week!

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Protect School Funding

Prop. 55 Extension

\$10 BILLION IN FUNDING FOR
SCHOOLS & COMMUNITY COLLEGES

CONTINUES EXISTING TAXES ON THE
WEALTHY

FAILURE TO PASS EXTENSION WOULD MEAN
MASSIVE EDUCATION CUTS IN 2030

POTENTIAL CUT TO OUR DISTRICT: \$24.5M

Join our fight to extend Prop. 55 and keep our schools funded!

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Seasonal Group Sessions Palm Desert CTA

75084 Gerald Ford Drive, Palm Desert, CA 92211

Explore your CalSTRS benefits and services with the help of a CalSTRS benefits specialist in a group setting with fellow educators.

CalSTRS and Your Retirement
(Estimates provided)
Wednesday, November 12, 2025
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Registration opens: October 1, 2025

CalSTRS and Your Retirement
(Estimates provided)
Wednesday, January 14, 2026
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Registration opens: December 3, 2025

CalSTRS and Your Retirement
(Estimates provided)
Wednesday, March 11, 2026
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Registration opens: January 28, 2026

CalSTRS and Your Retirement
(Estimates provided)
Wednesday, May 13, 2026
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
Registration opens: April 1, 2026

INTERACT
with fellow educators
in a small to large
group setting

LEARN
more about your
benefits
and prepare for your

REGISTER
800-228-5453, option 3

RR 1880 (rev 5/19)

Important Dates

- January 14th: CVTA Rep Council, 4:30 p.m. via Zoom
- January 15th: Bargaining...Remember to support your team!
- January 15th: CVUSD School Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m. at the District Office. [Submit comments here](#) (although they will likely not be read aloud). [Watch the meeting online here.](#)
- January 20th: CVTA Virtual Office Hours, 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. via Zoom
- January 27th: CVTA Eboard Meeting, 4:30 p.m. via Zoom



Carissa Carrera
CVTA President

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

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