



September 8, 2020

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Greetings!

Good morning! I hope you used your extra day off to relax and take care of yourself! It was definitely well earned.

We've got a CVUSD School Board Meeting this week:

CVUSD School Board Meeting 9/10/2020 @ 5:30 pm

[submit comments to the board here](#)

[watch the CVUSD Board Meeting here](#)

Voting to change Contract or MOU language

Last week I heard about a couple of sites talking about making changes to current language by taking a vote. Please be aware that there are only three items in the Collective Bargaining Agreement that can be changed through a vote: scheduling of prep periods, scheduling of staff meetings (morning or afternoon only not days), and scheduling of lunches/recesses/passing periods.

Taking a vote to change anything else is not allowed. Please let me know if you have any questions about this. Over the years we have worked very hard to get the best agreement we can have, and we need to work together to protect the rights we have in the CBA.

Personal Items in your Classroom

September 18th is the date by which you need to have removed your personal belongings from your classroom, if directed to do so by your supervisor. This is to ensure maximum space in the classroom for everyone's safety by allowing for social distancing when we return to in-person instruction. Safety of our members and their students is our main concern right now, and working together with your supervisor to determine what needs to be removed is necessary.

Remember, this is only temporary and it's not unique to us in CVUSD. I know that doesn't make the situation easier on you, but remembering all teachers are in the same boat right now may help somewhat.

Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (the temporary LCAP)

According to Ed Services, this should have been on the CVUSD website as of 9/4/2020 along with a form to provide input. As I write this, I cannot find it anywhere on the District website. I did pull a copy off the board agenda, but was unable to find the input form. Take a few minutes

to look through and until the input form is provided, you can comment at the Open Forum during Thursday's School Board meeting.

[Draft CVUSD Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan](#)

August Pay Warrants

I forgot to remind you last week that your August pay check will be larger than the other checks you will receive. This is because the only deductions taken in August are taxes and any summer savings you may have set up. CVTA dues, Health Insurance (if it's above the cap), and any other deductions you have set up are only taken out in the September through June checks.

Additionally, I was told by payroll that if you attended the 2 voluntary PD trainings, those will be paid on your September check. You should also see your 10 days of leave added onto your September pay warrant.

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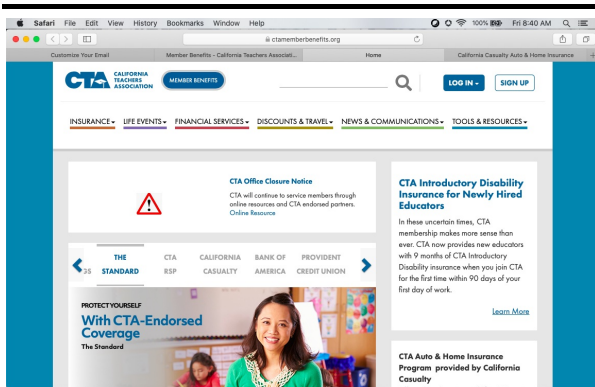
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Important Dates

- **September - All month...**Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank Open Enrollment
- **September 9th - CVTA Rep Council Virtual Meeting, 4:30 pm**
- **September 10th - School Board Meeting, 5:30 pm**
- **September 11th - Deadline for class size requirements**
- **September 12th - Low Desert Leadership Program Virtual Training for site reps and CVTA Leadership**
- **September 23rd - CVTA Virtual Office Hours 4:30-5:30 pm**

Carissa Carrera

CVTA President

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

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