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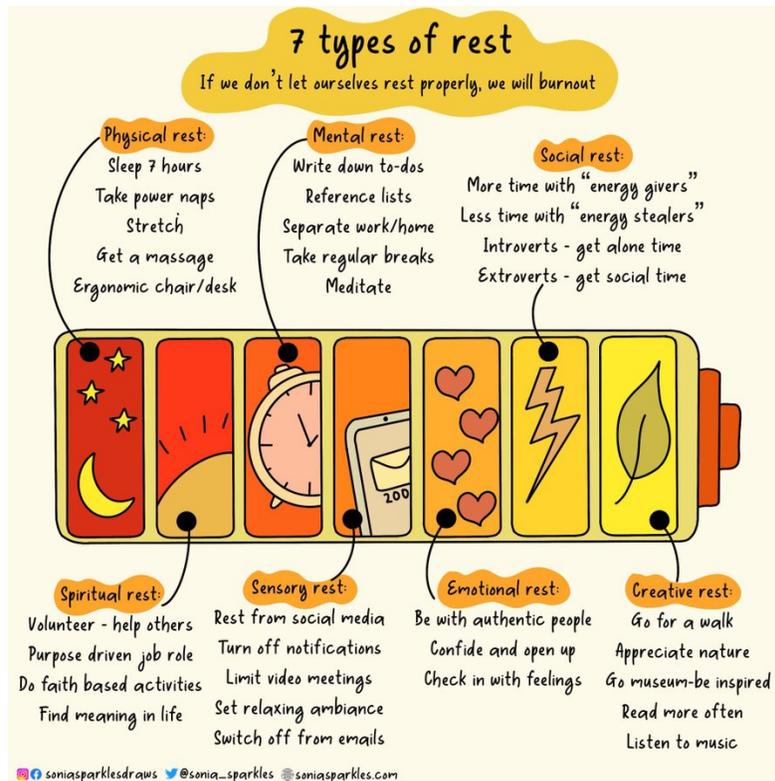
¡Nuestra comunidad necesita una mesa directiva en CVUSD en la que podamos confiar!

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Good morning! There are only 4 days until Spring Break. I know we all need some rest, and I hope you are all able to take advantage of the time to do so. There will not be a weekly email over Spring Break.

### RIF Update

The district has rescinded 16 RIFs, which is great news and is just the beginning. The list of 16 names was shared last week only with the teachers who received RIF notices in order to maintain confidentiality. We hope to share more news like this as we head into April since we know they over RIFd and made some mistakes. Additionally, the new coaching positions are being filled, opening positions for those on the RIF list. There is still no date set for the hearing.

### April 1st Transfer Opportunities

Transfers will be posted as per the contract, via email, on April 1st. There should only be secondary vacancies, though, because we do not have any elementary vacancies while there is a RIF list. The district is not closed the entire week of Spring Break, so work will continue. Watch for this email if you are interested in a secondary transfer opportunity.

### Join our Organizing Committee!

The next meeting will be on April 15th from 4:00-5:00 pm at the Starbucks in Coachella on

Cesar Chavez (Harrison). Join us as we work on some long term plans for CVTA. Bring a friend or a community member...hope to see you there! If you have questions, please contact the committee chair, Rachel Kuiland, at (714) 215-0143.

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

This week we would like to recognize **Erica Axelrod at TC**. Erica Axelrod was nominated by a member who wishes to remain anonymous.

Here is what that member has to say about Erica Axelrod:

Erica Axelrod is a new teacher to the site but she recognizes the need to help a fellow teacher in need. Mrs. Axelrod gave up part of her prep today just to help supervise a test. I see her stepping up to assist whenever she can throughout the day. She does it without being asked, out of the goodness of her heart, and to help maintain the quality of our school.

Congratulations to Erica Axelrod at TC! We see you doing amazing things. Keep up the great work!

Wishing you all a great week with your students!

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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](http://www.cta.org/special-education-resources)

TO REGISTER GO TO:



### Important Dates

- **March 27th:** CVTA Eboard Meeting scheduled during Eboard Planning Day
- **March 29th:** Good Friday - No School
- **April 1st through 5th:** Spring Break
- **April 8th:** Return from Spring Break
- **April 9th:** CVTA Rep Council 4:30 pm at CDA Library
- **April 11th:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#)). ([Submit public comments here](#))
- **April 15th:** CVTA Organizing Committee Meeting 4:00 pm @ Cesar Chavez Starbucks
- **April 23rd:** CVTA Virtual Office Half Hour 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm
- **April 25th:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#)). ([Submit public comments here](#))
- **April 30th:** Eboard Mtg. 4:30 pm via Zoom
- **May 7th:** National Day of the Teacher
- **May 8th:** California Day of the Teacher
- **May 14th:** CVTA Rep Council Meeting 4:30 pm, location TBD
- **May 16th:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#)). ([Submit public comments here](#))
- **May 21st:** CVTA Virtual Office Half Hour 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm
- **June 11th:** Last day of school
- **June 13th:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#)). ([Submit public comments here](#))
- **June 27th:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#)). ([Submit public comments here](#))
- **July 18th:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#))

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- **August 8th:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO [\(Live Stream Link here\)](#). [\(Submit public comments here\)](#)
- **August 20th:** First Teacher Workday
- **August 22nd:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO [\(Live Stream Link here\)](#). [\(Submit public comments here\)](#)



**Carissa Carrera**  
CVTA President

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

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