



December 12, 2022

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Dear Carissa,

Good morning! We wish each of you Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year as we finish up our last school week of 2022. Three weeks is a long time, so we hope you get the time you need to relax and recharge! Not all of our students look forward to these breaks...take the time to check in with them this week to see how they are feeling about it.

We do have a CVUSD School Board meeting this week on Thursday. Closed Session begins at 5:30 pm in the Board Room at the District Office. It is the first meeting for newly elected board member Valerie Garcia. Hope to see many of you there!

This week, I will be attending several interview panels, an Ed Services Meeting, the Virtual Academy Focus Group meeting, holding CVTA Virtual Office Hours, the Culture and Climate Committee meeting, CVTA Executive Board, attending more AVID Walk-Throughs, and the CVUSD School Board Meeting.

Here are a few important items to share this week:

- **CVTA Office Hours 12/13/22:** Please join us for office hours if you have, questions, comments, or just want to check in with colleagues from other sites. Join any time between 4:30 pm-5:30 pm. [Link for CVTA Office Hours](#)
- **Election for CVTA Treasurer:** Congratulations to Alexis Harding, newly elected Treasurer to complete the current term! Thank you to those who also nominated themselves, and to everyone who took the time to vote.
- **Negotiations:** January 13th is our next scheduled negotiations date. Our team continues working diligently on your behalf to secure the best agreement they can, one which will attract and retain educators and provide the best learning environment for students. Please show your support this week by wearing your turquoise CVTA shirt on bargaining days. We forgot a shoutout to Cathy Loy (MA, Site Rep), who also is ensuring that members at her site are informed and ready to engage in CVTA work as needed, along with Simon Moore (CVHS, PAC Chair and Site Rep)! If you are doing anything special at your site to make sure members are informed and engaged, please let us know!
- **Weekly Email:** The next weekly email will be sent the date we return from break, January 9th. I am still available by email during the break, though, so please let me know if you need anything.

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

This week we don't have any nominations, although we know there are so many members out there doing great things! Please take the time to nominate someone who is making a difference.

Coaches Corner TK12support@cvusd.us
English Learner Tips and Tricks

Incorporate Technology - We live in a digital world. Incorporating digital tools into learning activities is a great way to reach and engage English Learners in more creative ways. To engage English Learners, incorporate classroom apps like ClassDojo, Quizlet, Nearpod, Pear Deck, Flippity, Kahoot, Jamboard, Duolingo, and Code.org. Using apps is a great way to offer English Learners a diverse selection of learning tools and opportunities.
Pop on into our Zoom: for dates and times this week please email us or see our separate email.

<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. If you need information about which leaves are available, please use the HRleaves@cvusd.us email.

Have a great week!

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Important Dates

- **December 13th** - CVTA Office Hours, Zoom, 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
- **December 14th** - CVTA Eboard Meeting, Zoom, 4:30 pm.
- **December 15th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting, Closed Session begins 5:30 pm, Open Session usually begins around 6:30 pm. ([Live Stream Link here](#))([Submit public comments here](#))
- **December 17th - January 8th** - Winter Break
- **January 9th** - Return from Winter Break
- **January 11th** - CVTA Rep Council, Zoom 4:30 pm
- **January 13th** - Bargaining Day...please wear your CVTA shirt!
- **January 17th** - CVTA Office Hours, Zoom, 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
- **January 25th** - CVTA Eboard Meeting, Zoom, 4:30 pm.
- **January 27th** - Bargaining Day...please wear your CVTA shirt!
- **February 10th** - Bargaining Day...please wear your CVTA shirt!

Carissa Carrera

CVTA President

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

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