



January 17, 2023

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Dear Carissa,

Good morning! it was a beautiful weekend. We received a good amount of rain...hope you enjoyed it as much as I did!

It's a school board meeting week. Please make sure to read below about why your presence at the meeting is necessary.

This week, I will be attending the Virtual Academy Focus Group, holding CVTA Office Hours, attending the DPAC meeting, Budget Advisory Committee meeting, Presidents' Meeting, making site visits for EL/Dual Language (tagging along with the district team to observe), and attending the CVUSD School Board meeting.

Here are a few important items to share this week:

- **CVTA Office Hours:** Office Hours are this afternoon (1/17/23) from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm. This is a time to attend if you have questions or something to share with us. As in the past, there is no agenda and we will not be sharing information other than our answers to your questions. It is not necessary to attend the entire time...just drop in and visit or ask your questions! Hope to see you there. ([Office Hours Zoom link here.](#))
- **Negotiations:** As you know, the January 13th session was cancelled by the district, and now they have cancelled the February 10th session as well. Out of the last 4 sessions we had scheduled, the district has cancelled 3 of them. Delaying negotiations, not being prepared for negotiations, and not providing the team with parameters can all be considered Unfair Labor Practices. Our district has a tendency to do these things every bargaining round, and as I've stated before we are looking into filing on these issues. The main obstacle to reaching a fair settlement is our school board. Several trustees either do not understand how budgets work with ongoing funding, or they don't feel their certificated staff deserves a raise. We expect the district to bargain in good faith, and it seems they are not. Please plan to attend the next school board meeting at Oasis Elementary on 1/19/23 wearing your turquoise CVTA shirt! Be there by 5:15 pm. (Zoom link for board meeting is below in the calendar, if you are unable to attend in person.)
- **Bargaining Site Visits:** We have completed the first week of site visits and will be finishing up by Thursday afternoon. We truly appreciate everyone who has taken the time to visit with us to hear more detailed information about negotiations. See the schedule below for your site visit. If you missed yours last week, you are welcome to join the Zoom on 1/19 to hear what the others have heard.
  - Tuesday 1/17: CC 7:30 am, VDS 3:20 pm
  - Wednesday 1/18: **MV (this is a new time)**, PV, LP, OA, CDA, CVHS, MA at your CVTA time
  - Thursday 1/19: DMHS 2:15 pm, JK 3:20 pm, LF/DO/ECE/AE via Zoom at 4:30 pm ([Bargaining Site Visit Zoom link here](#))

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

No one was nominated for this week. We know our members are out there doing great things! Please take a few minutes to recognize their work by nominating them.

Coaches Corner [TK12support@cvusd.us](mailto:TK12support@cvusd.us)

English Learner Tips and Tricks - App of the week: Lexia English

**About Lexia English Language Development:**

Lexia English is designed to help ELLs, in grades K–6, acquire higher language proficiency levels of English. It integrates three key areas: speaking, listening, and grammar, while promoting academic conversations in Math, Science, Social Studies, General Knowledge, and Biographies. Students gain both academic language skills and content knowledge in various subjects.

Our TK12 Instructional Coaches will have open office hours this week to help with anything from the [Coaches Corner Menu](#) or other needs.

Pop on into our Zoom: **Tuesday** from 1:30 to 4:30

<https://cvusd->

[us.zoom.us/j/81603174702pwd=WHJOVWVsYmRjSsnl2YmFBMnE0M212QT09](https://us.zoom.us/j/81603174702pwd=WHJOVWVsYmRjSsnl2YmFBMnE0M212QT09)

Meeting ID: 816 0317 4702

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Have a great week!

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**Important Dates**

- **January 17th** - CVTA Office Hours, Zoom, 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
- **January 19th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting, Closed Session begins 5:30 pm, Open Session usually begins at 7:00 pm. ([Live Stream Link here](#)) ([Submit public comments here](#))
- **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! **cancelled**

**Carissa Carrera**

CVTA President

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

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