



November 8, 2021

Join our mailing list!

Greetings!

Good morning. Thursday 11/11/21 is Veteran's Day (and no school). To any of our CVTA membership who served in the U.S. Armed Forces, we thank you for your service! (Don't forget that on Wednesday 11/10/21 you may leave at the same time as the students, after fulfilling any duty time, because it is a day before a holiday...Contract Article 12.1.6.)

Mandatory COVID Testing - Holiday Breaks

Those of you required to test weekly do not need to take a test over the Thanksgiving Break or the Winter Break before returning to work. The test results you submit in the week prior to the break will suffice, and then you will just test again the week you return. Please let me know if you have any questions about that. (I didn't mention Spring Break just yet because we don't yet know if the requirements will be the same that far out.)

TK-12 Coaching Support

Please remember there are three TK-12 Coaches who are there to support you as you do your work. There are several ways in which they are available to support you, your team, or your site. Please reach out to them at TK12support@cvusd.us to book an appointment or ask a question.

PAR Program - Voluntary Participation

Did you know that you can self-refer to the PAR Program? I don't think many people do know that, considering it rarely happens. Every now and then we may need some one-on-one peer assistance to help us improve in instructional areas which may be troublesome. That's why PAR is here! It is a long-term commitment (usually one semester or one year, up to two years), but it's available for you and is a very underused resource. Please contact me if you'd like more information.

Read the language from the contract about it here:

19.4.1 Peer Assistance & Review (PAR)

The purpose of the PAR Program is to assist permanent unit members to improve their instructional skills.

A. Mandatory Participation

Permanent unit members shall be referred for mandatory participation in the Peer Assistance & Review Program as a result of an unsatisfactory final evaluation.

B. Voluntary Participation

1. A permanent unit member who seeks to improve his/her teaching performance may request the PAR Council to assign a Consulting Teacher to provide peer assistance. It is understood that the purpose of such participation is to provide peer assistance, and that the Consulting Teacher will play no role in the evaluation of the teaching performance of a Volunteer Teacher Participant (VT). The VT may terminate his/her participation in the PAR program at any time without a requirement to give a reason for said request.

2. Unless requested by the VT, information obtained by the Consulting Teacher while working with the VT can not be utilized in the evaluation process and/or as the basis for mandatory participation in the PAR process.

CANVAS Link to Curriculum

Several of you have expressed concern about not being able to link all of our curriculum into CANVAS. In speaking to the TK12 Coaches, on the left side of the screen (while in CANVAS) there should be a link to the Clever portal, and through Clever most of the curriculum should be available.

If you are having trouble with this issue, please reach out to the TK-12 Coaches using the email up above.

LAST CHANCE - CVTA Shirts

We have less than 100 members who still have not ordered their t-shirts. Here is the link if you

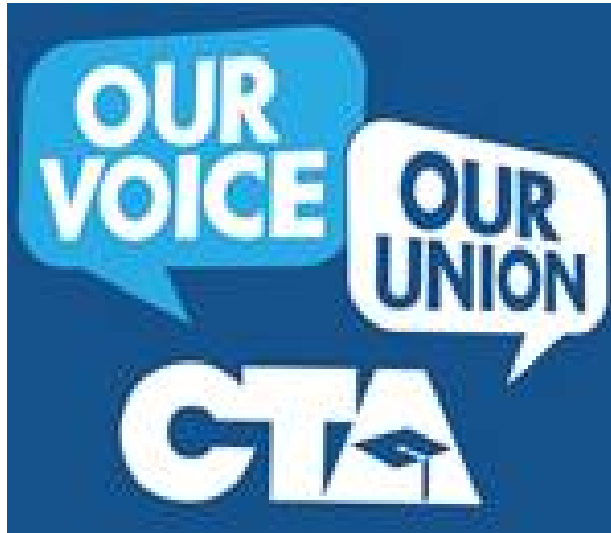
have not submitted your order yet. Please do not resubmit just because you haven't received your shirt...only submit if you haven't previously done so.
[Update your information and order your shirt here.](#)

Reporting COVID Illnesses or seeking COVID Information

If you need information about what leaves are available or to report a positive COVID case, please use the HRleaves@cvusd.us email, as well as the appropriate form in School Stream.

As always, thank you for everything you do for the students of CVUSD! Have a great week.

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Important Dates

- **November 10th** - CVTA Rep Council Meeting 4:30 pm
- **November 11th** - Veteran's Day Holiday
- **November 16th** - CVTA November Office Hours 4:30-5:30 pm
- **November 17th** - Bargaining Day
- **November 17th** - CVTA Eboard Meeting 4:30 pm
- **November 17th and 18th** - Elementary Conferences
- **November 18th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting, 5:30 pm ([Live Stream Link here](#))
- **November 22nd to 26th** - Thanksgiving Break

Carissa Carrera
CVTA President

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

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