



ACTION NEWS

President's Perspective

by Brenda Walker



In Solidarity!

With all the changes we have experienced since last March when the pandemic struck, it's time to step back and look at how far we've come. We've experienced a new normal. Learning to deliver instruction through distance learning has been no easy task for many and returning to sites for in-person instruction has its own set of challenges. But despite having to make last minutes changes because of ever changing guidelines, we've persevered. Whether you'll be distance learning or blending learning, our district will continue to thrive because of your hard work.

We've heard from members in every group and continue to commit to bargaining (thanks to our bargaining team), collaborating (thanks to our work groups), representing you (thanks to our site reps) and leading, (thanks to our executive board) so that you have safe work conditions and instruction programs that make sense for not only our students, but for you too. The work has been never ending for everyone and hopefully we will return to a traditional schedule that we know works best.

Spring break is coming soon, and I can't think of a group who deserves it more. Enjoy the time off and stay safe!

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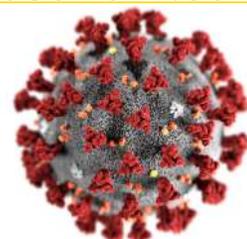
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Together, we are ACT!

Questions? Comments? Concerns?
 Ideas? Please contact us at:
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San Bernardino County COVID-19 Watch

Click on the link to monitor updates on case numbers here: <http://sbcovid19.com/>





CTA EMEID Program – Deadline – April 9, 2021

The deadline is quickly approaching for members of color to apply to CTA's Ethnic Minority Early Identification & Development program. If you are someone who would like to expand your role in CTA, click on the link to learn more: <https://www.cta.org/about-us/leadership/emeid>

ACT is proud of two of our members who have gone through this program. Contact Larry Casias, scienceman59@sbcglobal.net or Chau Nguyen, nbaochau@gmail.com for more details.

UPCOMING VIRTUAL CTA CONFERENCES

NEW THIS YEAR — Special Education Conference

April 30, 2021 - May 2, 2021

Click [here](#) for more information.

Summer Institute

July 25, 2021 - July 29, 2021

To get more information about these events visit [this link](#).



Article 12 — Working Conditions

12.17 Whenever possible, provide unit members with a designated, interruption-free work space or classroom. Unit members may also request and receive custodial cleaning schedules and they shall have a right to a staff work area and/or lounge which is not accessible to students.

CTA SCHOLARSHIP

The LGBTQ+ Safety in Schools Grant and Scholarship Program in Honor of Guy DeRosa was created to promote human and civil rights by making our public schools safe for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer/questioning+ persons. The program was renamed in 2009 in the memory of CTA member and educator Guy DeRosa. Guy was a lifelong advocate for civil and human rights and LGBTQ+ issues.

The grant program will support groups, projects and presentations that promote understanding of and respect for LGBTQ+ persons.

The scholarship program will support self-identified LGBTQ+ members enrolled in a teacher/counseling credential or graduate program who are pursuing a career in public education and who understand the importance of LGBTQ+ educators as role models in our public schools.

Deadline: May 17, 2021

Award Amount: up to \$2,500

DATES TO REMEMBER

- April is School Library Month
- April is Celebrate Diversity Month
- April is Child Abuse Prevention Month
- April is Autism Awareness Month
- April 10 is Dolores Huerta Day
- April 16 is Deadline for ACT 2020-2021 Educator Recognition Nominations
- April 22 is Earth Day
- April 23 is Deadline for ACT 2021 Scholarship Application for HS graduates
- May is Better Speech and Hearing Month
- May is Mental Health Awareness Month
- May is Asian American/Pacific Islander Month
- May 4 is National Teacher Day
- May 6 is Children's Mental Health Day
- May 12 is California Day of the Teacher — **SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR ACT EVENT**

ACT SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DEPENDENT SENIORS

Do you have a senior graduating this year? Your child can apply for a scholarship awarded by ACT.

Applications can be found on the Associated Chino Teachers website. Deadline to apply is April 23, 2021

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

WHEN & WHERE

Virtual meetings streamed on YouTube CVUSD channel at 6:00 pm.

- **April 15, 2021**
- **May 6, 2021**
- **May 20, 2021**
- **June 3, 2021**
- **June 17, 2021**

[Scan code for CVUSD YouTube page](#)



ACT IN THE COMMUNITY

Looking for a way to get some fresh air
and exercise?

Join us for our Roadside Adoption Fridays to help
keep Peyton Drive looking good.

ACT will provide masks, trash collection materials,
and refreshments at a local business when we're
done.

Clean up Time: 4:00-5:00pm

Dates: March 19, April 16, May 21

Meet first in the PetSmart parking lot at the
Costco shopping center.



Questions?

Contact Cathy Lopez,
member engagement chair, at
clopezeducator@gmail.com

Members Give Input to the LCAP

During the 2019-2020 school year, the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) was put on hold. Now that work has begun on the LCAP for the 2021- 2022 school year, members had the opportunity last month to give input.

Here are members top 5 results for each goal:

Goal 1: All students are provided a high-quality teaching and learning environment.

- Upgrade and replace computers and acquire technology tools to support the instructional program
- Maintain District elementary music program
- Maintain school facilities so they are in good repair
- Provide professional development and support for teachers/administrators to support strong instruction (e.g. deepen staff's implementation of Professional Learning Community (PLC). Special Education training, evidenced based best practices for all learners (Co-Plan/Co-Teach: Special Ed/ General Ed), English Learners, Multi-Tiered Systems of Supports-Behavior (MTSS-B), AVID, and professional development

tailored to site needs through Instructional Coaches)

- Continue to build Career Technical Education at each high school

Goal 2: Staff, parent, families, and students are connected and engaged to their school to ensure student success.

- Maintain school nurses and health technicians to support and monitor students who have health related issues
- Individual counseling services provided by Chino Human services to support students' social emotional development for K-12 students
- Monitor students with chronic absenteeism and work with families to ensure their attendance improves
- Provide supplemental education for students who need additional academic supports (e.g. credit recovery, summer school, after school)
- Provide additional supports (i.e. school supplies, hygiene items, clothing, etc.) to disadvantaged students and families through the HOPE Resource Center

Goal 3: All students are prepared for college and career beyond graduation.

- AVID support for students to encourage college and career readiness and success
- Provide intervention support designed to improve academics and meet academic goals (e.g. Instructional intervention materials MTSS-A, intervention teachers at ES for applicable students, and maintain intervention counselors for junior high schools, maintain intervention class at Magnolia and Ramona Jr. High Schools
- Offer college credit courses (dual enrollment) at all high schools
- HS will perform transcript audits at the end of each semester and additional monitoring of students not "on track status" for students to graduate in 4 years
- Provide academic tutoring services: Foster youth, Homeless students, and After-school Programs (ASESS/Child Development)

Health and Welfare

Do you have questions about your health benefits?

Visit the following sites for information:

Kaiser: <https://my.kp.org/cseba/>
Blue Shield: <https://blueshield->

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