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- **ALTRENA SANTILLANES, AREA 2**
- **TRINIDAD ARREDONDO, AREA 1**
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**THE ONLY CANDIDATES SUPPORTED
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**Students deserve school board
members with integrity.**



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directiva con miembros íntegros.**

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**Remember to wear your CVTA shirts each Wednesday and also
on Bargaining Days!**

Good morning! 16 days until Election Day!

CVUSD School Board Elections - CVTA Members are Stepping Up!

Several sites have been out precinct walking and doing such a great job! CMA even had a team meet up this last Saturday to walk neighborhoods! Your work is making a difference, so we need you to keep going. Don't forget to invite our endorsed candidates and/or community members (we've had a few volunteer on FB) to walk with your group, and send photos. All photos shared with us so far can be found on our FB page.

- **Posters have been provided which can be placed in your car windows**(we suggest parking so your front windshield faces where parents drive by for pick-up or drop-off and placing the poster between your sunvisor and the window). These can also be offered to parents for their car windows (by someone not on afterschool duty and outside the gates of the school). More are available.
- **Postcards have been provided to be used for precinct walking** We are asking that each of you donate an hour after school to walk the neighborhoods around your site (but if you donate 2 total hours, not necessarily in one day, you will get a \$25 gift card). Site Reps have the information for you to do this and should be organizing CVTA Members for this to begin. More are available.

****Do not let your admin tell you that the posters cannot be displayed in your car windows on district property. They absolutely can, and this is just an attempt to thwart our efforts.**

****We have seen the copycat signs paid for by Jesus Gonzalez's PAC fund, in an attempt to trick voters into choosing three candidates not endorsed through any legitimate teacher endorsement process. We have shared a few posts on our FB and IG pages related to this. Feel free to share to your social media and with friends, family and parents, because the candidates who really are endorsed by teachers don't need deceit to win votes. That's the entire reason we've endorsed Altrena Santillanes, Adrian Rodriguez, and Trinidad Arredondo - our school board is no place for these kinds of tactics.**

So many rumors about APs at sites

As we mentioned last week, 17 of our 22 sites do not have a full administrative team. Does anyone know why Superintendent Dr. Esparza won't just share the plan with staff and the community, who deserve to know? We've heard that elementary APs will be split between two sites. We've heard that DM and CV will now only have 3 APs instead of 4. We've also heard that some sites are having the new coaches handle discipline issues. Finally, we've heard that shared APs will only be handling SSTs and IEP meetings, nothing else.

However, at the District's LCAP meeting they shared the budget for APs and stated they haven't been able to fill the vacancies. Then the District's Budget Committee Meeting was cancelled last week. There is clearly a lack of transparency and this all seems quite suspicious. Since the district won't share an actual plan, please let CVTA know what is happening at your sites regarding APs, who is now responsible for handling discipline issues, and what Tier 2 PBIS supports are available at your sites. We suspect that discipline isn't being handled and that you no longer have Tier 2 supports, at the elementary level at least. Are decisions being made in the best interest of students???

Workplace Violence Prevention Plan (WVPP)The District Policy Committee met last week to look over the district plan. There were many concerns shared and several required items not addressed in the plan, so an additional meeting will be held to look over updates.

Read about the WVPP requirements [here](#). You can file complaints with OSHA at (909)383-4321. [Important safety numbers and documents can be found here.](#)

Have a great week!

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Important Dates

- **October 22nd:** CVTA Executive Board Meeting 4:30 pm via Zoom
- **October 24th:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#))
- **October 28th:** Third bargaining day with the district. **Wear a CVTA shirt in support of the team!**
- **October 30th:** Fourth bargaining day with the district. **Wear a CVTA shirt in support of the team!**
- **November 3rd:** Daylight Savings Time ends
- **November 5th:** Election Day
- **November 11th:** Veteran's Day Holiday
- **November 12th:** High School Conferences
- **November 13th:** CVTA Rep Council 4:30 pm via Zoom
- **November 14th:** Fifth bargaining day with the district. **Wear a CVTA shirt in support of the team!**
- **November 14th:** Middle School Conferences
- **November 14th:** CVUSD School Board Mtg. 5:30 pm @ DO ([Live Stream Link here](#))
- **November 18th:** CVTA Organizing Committee Meeting
- **November 19th:** CVTA Virtual Office Hours 4:30 pm - 5:00 pm
- **November 20th:** Sixth bargaining day with the district. **Wear a CVTA shirt in support of the team!**
- **November 21st:** Seventh bargaining day with the district. **Wear a CVTA shirt in support of the team!**
- **November 21st:** CVTA Executive Board Meeting 4:30 pm via Zoom
- **November 25th to 29th:** CVUSD Thanksgiving Break



Carissa Carrera
CVTA President

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

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