

# Tri-Cities ROP News

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## We're brewing spooktacular skills for future success

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WHAT'S COOKIN'

AND SO MUCH MORE!

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Tri-Cities ROP proudly serves students in the  
El Rancho Unified and Whittier Union High School Districts.

We are a WASC-accredited, career technical educational program  
located on the Pioneer High School campus in Whittier.

## Leadership Team

DR. JOHN SMITH  
Superintendent

DANIEL BARAJAS  
Director of Programs, Technology & Operations

LETICIA COVARRUBIAS  
Director of Business Services

KATHI KENT  
Program Manager

RACHELLE ROMERO  
Director of Educational Services

RUTH SUDICK  
Human Resource Coordinator



"Our love for each other will live on forever in every  
beat of my proud corazon."

- Miguel from Walt Disney's "Coco"



## Governing Board

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Whittier Union High School District

MS. IRMA RODRIGUEZ MOISA, MEMBER  
Whittier Union High School District



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"Each year, the Great Pumpkin rises out of the pumpkin patch that he thinks is the most sincere. He's gotta pick this one. He's got to!"

- Linus to Sally  
"It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown"



# HAPPY HALLOWEEN



**FROM ALL OF US  
AT TRI-CITIES ROP**

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# Superintendent's Message



## Brewing Up Success

by Dr. John Smith

Halloween Greetings!

As autumn brings cooler weather and Halloween fun, I'm thrilled to share how our programs have been "cooking up" an exciting season of activities, achievements, and opportunities for growth! Just like a carefully-crafted recipe, every experience, event, and program we've pursued this fall is a key ingredient in creating bright futures for our students.

### Chasing Additional Funding

We've taken the next steps in securing additional resources for our programs by applying for the next round of the Career Technical Education Incentive Grant (CTEIG). This funding would be a critical boost, allowing us to expand and strengthen the technical skills and career readiness of our students. Fingers crossed for some good news!

### Shaking Things Up

On October 17th, we joined the Great American Earthquake Drill, ensuring students and staff are prepared for any shake-ups in our environment. Safety remains a top priority, and this drill is just one example of our commitment to creating a safe and supportive place to work and to learn.

### Celebrating and Learning

Speaking of the importance of safety, our office staff recently participated in important workplace violence training. There was a lot of engagement at the training where questions were raised and suggestions were noted.

And, speaking of our office staff, on October 21st, our team provided a Boss's Day Breakfast Buffet that was spooktacular! The morning meal was a wonderful way to celebrate teamwork, dedication, and leadership. We are so appreciative of the work they do to support our Leadership Team!

### Student Achievement

Our Fall Adult CNA (Certified Nurse Assistant) class completed their course and received Certificates of Completion. Congratulations to these dedicated students!

Additionally, our Careers in Education students at Santa Fe High School have begun their internships at Lakeview Elementary Schools, putting their knowledge into practice and gaining firsthand experience in the classroom.

### A "Wheely" Good Adventure

Our Auto Technology students took a field trip to the Orange County Auto Show, a fantastic opportunity to explore industry trends and innovations. From hybrid engines to the latest in car tech, the event was a great experience for these students, sparking inspiration and insights into potential careers.


### Culinary Arts: The Heart of Halloween Fun

This month's spotlight is on our amazing Culinary Arts/ Foods and Hospitality programs, where students have been busy stirring up some magic in the kitchen!

Speaking of magic...on October 30th, Tri-Cities ROP, in partnership with Whittier Union High School District, hosted a Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony, celebrating the spell-binding transformation of the old Home Economics classroom into a state-of-the-art Culinary Arts classroom!

As has been the case for several years, Chef David Luna's Culinary Arts students at El Rancho High School took part in a Halloween-themed Cupcake Challenge, and the results were nothing short of a devilish delight! From ghostly designs to haunted flavors, these creations showed off the skills our students have developed in baking, presentation, and teamwork.

As we dive deeper into the school year, I encourage you to keep learning, keep experimenting, and keep challenging yourself. Just like a Halloween recipe, success is all about finding the right mix of hard work, creativity, and a dash of spooky fun!



DR. JOHN SMITH  
Superintendent





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## BOARD MEETINGS

Board Meetings are held at 4:00 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month, unless indicated otherwise. (\*)

## GOVERNING BOARD

Dr. Teresa Merino, President  
Mr. Kevin Jamero, Vice President  
Ms. Esther Mejia, Clerk  
Mr. Gary Mendez, Member  
Ms. Irma Rodriguez Moisa, Member

## MISSION STATEMENT

Tri-Cities ROP prepares students for college and careers by offering excellent career-technical education leading to employment, industry certification, or post-secondary education.

# TRI-CITIES ROP

## GOVERNING BOARD MEETING DATES

### 2024-2025

**Thursday, July 11, 2024**

**Thursday, August 8, 2024**

**Thursday, September 12, 2024**

**Thursday, October 10, 2024**

**Thursday, November 14, 2024**

**Thursday, December 19, 2024\***

**Thursday, January 9, 2025**

**Thursday, February 13, 2025**

**Thursday, March 13, 2025**

**Thursday, April 10, 2025**

**Thursday, May 8, 2025**

**Thursday, June 12, 2025**

Board Approved: October 10, 2024

# Inside the Boardroom



*October 10, 2024*

The second Thursday of the month is "Power Thursday" at Tri-Cities ROP because this is when the five members of our Governing Board join together to consider and take action on items placed on the monthly meeting agenda. The following is a quick peek at some of what took place at the October 10, 2024 Board Meeting:

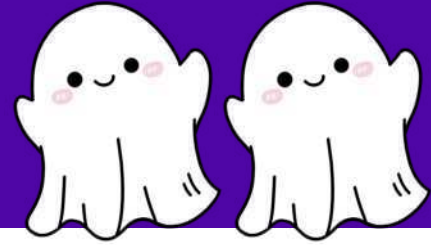
- \*The Board approved the attendance of Bill Buttinelli, Auto Technology Instructor (CHS), at the Lions Automobilia Foundation and Museum, October 11, 2024, in Rancho Dominguez.
- \*The Board approved the attendance of Kathryn Gould Demerjian, Foundations in Health Science Instructor (CHS), at California State University, Fullerton, October 23, 2024.
- \*The Board approved the attendance of Jesse Miranda, Auto Technology Instructor (WHS), and Jacqueline Ramirez, College & Career Pathways Advisor, at NHRA Finals, November 15, 2024, in Pomona.
- \*The Board approved the attendance of Kathi Kent, Program Manager, at the CAROCP Fall Conference, November 19-22, 2024, in Rancho Mirage.
- \*The Board approved the attendance of Leticia Covarrubias, Director of Business Services, at the SSC Governor's Budget Workshop, January 22, 2025, in Anaheim.



**The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 2024, at 4:00 p.m.**

- \*The Board approved the attendance of Esther Mejia, Governing Board Member, at the Educating for Careers conference, March 2, 2025, in Sacramento.
- \*The Board approved the request for a Credential Waiver pursuant to Ed Code 44253.3.
- \*The Board approved the field trip request to Lions Automobilia Foundation and Museum for 65 CHS Auto Technology students.
- \*The Board approved the field trip request to California State University, Fullerton for 76 CHS Health Academy students.
- \*The Board approved the field trip request to NHRA Finals in Pomona for 30 WHS Auto Technology students.
- \*The Board approved several pieces of equipment for the California and Whittier High Schools Auto Technology programs, including:
  - SnapOn Tools T7800 Tire Changer Certification Kit (CHS, WHS)
  - SnapOn Tools EV General Maintenance Tool Kit (CHS)
  - PolarTek Air-Conditioning Machine (CHS)
  - PolarTek Air-Conditioning Certification Kit (WHS)





## Great American Shake-Out

On October 17, Tri-Cities ROP Center staff joined millions across the state and the nation in an important annual event - the Great American ShakeOut. This event serves as a powerful reminder of the significance of earthquake preparedness.

At the Tri-Cities ROP Center, we understand the importance of being well-prepared for seismic events, and we take this opportunity to reinforce the message of readiness.



By taking part in the Great American ShakeOut, the Tri-Cities ROP Center staff demonstrated their dedication to the safety and well-being of our community. We encourage everyone to follow suit and prioritize earthquake preparedness. Remember, it's not a matter of "if" but "when" the next earthquake will happen. Being informed and ready can save lives and reduce the impact of this natural disaster.

Tri-Cities ROP Center staff take direction from Daniel Barajas, Director of Programs, Technology & Operations, while evacuating the building.



Mr. Chavez's Adult Dental Assistant students waited for the "All Clear" notice following the Great American ShakeOut drill.



## Spooktacular News!

We've got some boo-tiful news to share! Our very own Data Technician, Rachel Hoffman, has a special delivery brewing -- she's expecting her second little pumpkin in February 2025! As she and her family gear up for double the love and laughter, we can't wait to see what Baby Number Two will bring!

Join us in sending all the warm and fuzzy Halloween vibes her way as she prepares to welcome this adorable new addition. Congratulaton, Rachel! We are so thrilled for you!

## "Who You Gonna Call?"

Speaking of our growing Tri-Cities ROP extended family, take a peek at how big (and adorable!) Ronnel Farol's sons are now! They are geared up and ready to pound the pavement in search of ghosts and trick-or-treats!! Be safe and have fun, boys! We know who to call if we spot a ghost!



If you have something wonderful going on in your world, please let us know! We'd love to feature your story and/or photos with our TCROP Team. Mail to Mia Burrola at [mburrola@tricitierop.org](mailto:mburrola@tricitierop.org).



# News from the ROP Center

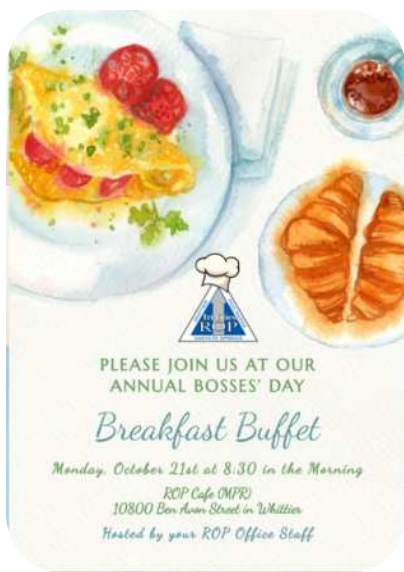


## Boss's Day Breakfast Buffet

On Monday, October 21st, Tri-Cities ROP office staff proudly hosted its annual Bosses Day Breakfast, a heartfelt gesture dedicated to honoring our hard-working Superintendent and the dedicated members of our Tri-Cities ROP Leadership Team. This esteemed group includes the following individuals:



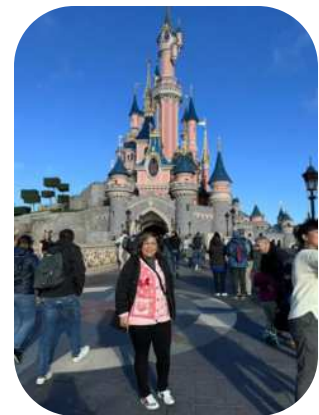
- Dr. John Smith, Superintendent
- Daniel Barajas, Director of Programs, Technology & Operations
- Leticia Covarrubias, Director of Business Services
- Rachelle Romero, Director of Educational Services
- Kathi Kent, Program Manager
- Ruth Sudick, Human Resource Coordinator



The Boss's Day Breakfast has become an annual tradition that not only serves delicious breakfast bites, but also serves as a small token of appreciation for the leadership and guidance our administrators provide on a daily basis. "It is because of their tireless efforts that we enjoy a safe workplace that fosters a culture filled with respect, kindness, and excellence," explained Mia Burrola, Executive Assistant. We are genuinely proud to be a part of the TCROP team!

## "We'll Always Have Paris!"

This month, we're delighted to share the travel tales of Marlene Quintana, Accounting Technician, who recently returned from a magical 25th Wedding Anniversary celebration in Paris and London! Mr. and Mrs. Javier Quintana took in all the sights, including the iconic Eiffel Tower (of course!), Champagne, France, and a visit to Disneyland Paris, where they embraced the joy and wonder of all things Disney! The adventure didn't end there; the couple then crossed the Channel to London, where they enjoyed a traditional afternoon tea. Marlena and Javier also watched in awe two amazing theatrical productions: Phantom of the Opera at His Majesty's Theatre and Wicked at Apollo Victoria Theatre! Their journey was filled with unforgettable memories and cultural highlights, making for a truly enchanting anniversary celebration. Congratulations, Marlena and Javier! We wish you and your husband many more years of love and wedded bliss.



American Fidelity Insurance announces its annual Enrollment Period for Tri-Cities ROP employees, beginning November 4, 2024. Those interested should make an appointment (virtual) to review benefits. American Fidelity offers insurance such as cancer insurance, disability insurance, and life insurance, to name a few. (For more information, please refer to the email sent to you on October 28, 2024, from Ruth Sudick, our Human Resource Coordinator.)

# TCROP Course Spotlight

## CULINARY ARTS I

Culinary Arts I is a course designed to introduce students to fundamental food preparation terms, concepts and methods in Culinary Arts where laboratory practice will parallel class work. Fundamental techniques, skills and terminology are covered and mastered with an emphasis on basic kitchen and dining room safety, sanitation, equipment maintenance and operation procedures. Course also provides an overview of the professionalism in the culinary industry and career opportunities leading into a career pathway to Culinary Arts. Obtaining a Food Handlers Permit will be required. (Course offered at El Rancho and Whittier High Schools.)

## CULINARY ARTS II

Advanced Culinary Arts is an introduction to the basic principles of nutrition, wellness and food preparation. The focus is centered on healthy food and lifestyle choices. The student receives training in kitchen safety and sanitation practices, food terminology and proper measuring while demonstrating basic food preparation techniques. Students demonstrate the ability to read a recipe and adjust the yield, also able to explain the benefits of eating a variety of foods from each recommended food group. Students will participate in the planning, costing, preparation, serving, storage and critique of meals in project based learning. (Course offered at El Rancho and Whittier High Schools.)

## INTERNATIONAL CUISINE

International Cuisine is the advanced course in a comprehensive standards-based culinary arts sequence. This course focuses on understanding the differences and commonalities we have with other cultures around the world. A common denominator in studying world cultures is cuisine. In studying the cuisines of a people or a region, we learn about a country's geography and climate, traditions, taboos, and social norms, unique conditions caused by environment of a food supply, pressures on a population to trade, export, import, permit a closed or open society, and cultural values. Students will acquire a greater understanding of their world and the cultural diversity that exists in their own community. (Course offered at El Rancho High School.)



*Did you know?*

### **Pumpkin Spice Frenzy**

Pumpkin spice flavoring isn't made from pumpkins! The spice blend usually includes cinnamon, nutmeg, ginger, and cloves. The flavor is now iconic with Fall and Halloween, but it doesn't actually use pumpkin!



# Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation Industry Sector



## FOODS and HOSPITALITY

Foods and Hospitality is designed to prepare students for entry level employment in hospitality and food service careers through exploring industry and its relationship to travel and tourism. Students will learn laws and regulations; safety and emergency procedures; sanitation and food handling; banquet operations, facilities management; event planning, customer service and guest relations; food and beverage production, preparation and service; sales and marketing strategies; costing and cost analysis; and entrepreneurship. (Course offered at California High School.)

### Most Expensive Restaurants in Los Angeles

Katsin	71 Above
Canto VI	Niku X
Providence	Mun Korean Steakhouse
The Penthouse at Mastro's	Mother Wolf
Vespertine	Firefly
	Spago Beverly Hills

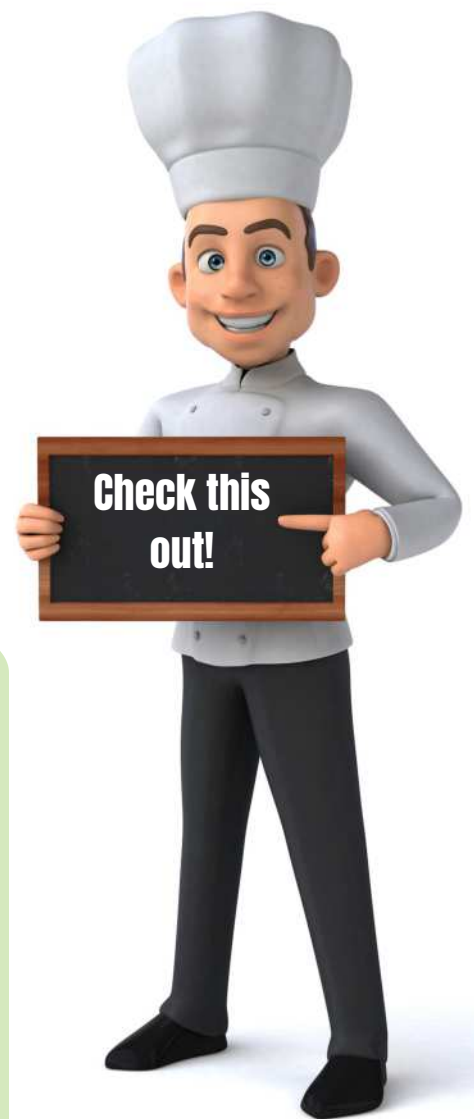


Source: Yelp.com

### Top 10 Richest Chefs

Jose Andres - \$50 million	Wolfgang Puck - \$120 million
Ina Garten \$60 million	Nobuyuki Matsuhisa - \$200 million
Emeril Lagasse - \$70 million	Jaime Oliver - \$200 million
Guy Fieri - \$100 million	Gordon Ramsey - \$220 million
Rachael Ray - \$100 million	Alan Wong - \$1.1 billion

Source: Ktchnrebel.com



# CAREERS IN CULINARY

We found these recent job postings for jobs in hospitality and culinary arts to give students an idea of the kinds of opportunities available and the starting salaries (Source: Indeed.Com)



**Executive Chef**  
**Westwood Village**  
**\$90,000 - \$95,000**



**Sous Chef**  
**SoFi Stadium**  
**\$86,000 - \$72,000**



**Chef de Cuisine**  
**Restaurant in Torrance**  
**\$65,000 - \$75,000**



**Culinary Arts**  
**Part-Time Faculty (Baking & Pastry)**  
**Long Beach City College**  
**\$6,054 - \$9,074/monthly**

**Corporate Executive Chef**  
**Flik Hospitality Group**  
**\$130,000 - \$140,000**



**Executive Sous Chef**  
**Gate Gourmet**  
**\$90,000 - \$95,000**



# CAREERS YOU CAN SINK YOUR TEETH IN



Attention Aspiring Chefs! Get some advice from Michelin Starred Chef Curtis Duffy!  
Click on link below:



**Executive Chef**  
Allureum Experience  
\$97,000 - \$125,000



**Catering Operations  
Manager**  
Bon Appetit  
\$82,000 - \$87,000



**Restaurant and Culinary  
Management Instructor**  
Institute of Culinary  
Education  
\$74,880 - \$80,000



**Director of Culinary  
Operations**  
Joan's on Third  
\$95,000 - \$125,000



**Executive Chef**  
Meat on Ocean  
\$105 - \$125,000







## THINKING ABOUT A CAREER IN CULINARY ARTS??

# CULINARY CAREER PROSPECTS

## DIVERSE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

- Chef or Cook - The most traditional path, working in restaurants, hotels, or catering
- Specialized Chef - Opportunities to specialize in pastry, sushi, or other specific cuisines
- Food Stylist/Photographer - Prepping food for photo shoots or media
- Food Writer/Blogger - Writing recipes, reviews, or food-related content
- Personal Chef - Catering to individuals, families, or events
- Food Scientist/Nutritionist - Working in food innovation, research or health
- Instructor - Teaching Culinary Arts at schools or through workshops

## ENTREPRENEURIAL VENTURES

- Starting a Food Truck or Restaurant - Can be rewarding but requires a strong business mindset
- Catering or Meal Prep Services - Allows for flexibility and customization based on client preferences
- Food Product Development - If you like creating your own line of sauces or packaged foods, this may be another area you may want to explore

## GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES

The demand for skilled chefs exists worldwide, with restaurants seeking chefs specialized in various international cuisines. Culinary professionals also find work on cruise ships, in resorts, and at international events

## CAREER GROWTH

- Many start as line cooks or kitchen assistants, but with experience and skill development, it is possible to rise to sous chef, head chef, or executive chef
- Gaining exposure through culinary competitions, social media presence, or even TV shows can boost career prospects

## SKILLS REQUIRED

- Beyond cooking, a culinary career requires skills in leadership, time management, creativity, and adaptability
- Formal education, such as culinary school can be beneficial, but isn't always necessary. Hands-on experience is highly valued

## CHALLENGES

- The culinary field is physically demanding, with long hours and high-pressure environments
- Pay for entry-level positions may be lower, though experienced chefs can command high salaries
- Work-life balance can be difficult, especially in the early years

## SUSTAINABILITY AND INNOVATION

With growing interest in sustainability and plant-based foods, chefs who are skilled in eco-friendly practices or innovative food solutions (e.g., alternative proteins) have an edge



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## CAL HIGH CULINARY





Students preparing to work at their Culinary sites this semester in the Whittier Community.

### SALSA IN THE MAKIN'



Food and Hospitality taught by **Chef Ruiz**  
Food and Hospitality is a course designed to prepare students for entry-level employment in hospitality and food service careers.



**"CAN YOU HANDLE THE HEAT?"**



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## CULINARY ARTS AT ERHS



Culinary Art Students spooked up a scary treat for their classmates.

## CULINARY ARTS PRESENTS SPOOKY SWEETS



HAILIE CLEANING UP THE BLOODY MESS!







## FORENSIC SCIENCE AT LSHS



## NEW ERA LEARNING

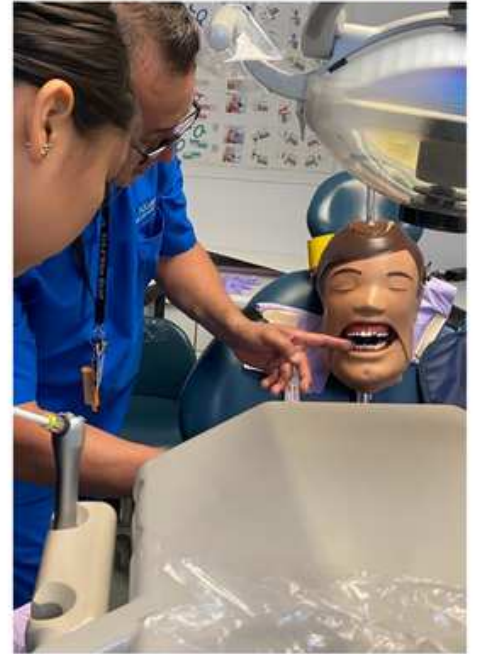


### Blood Spatter Activity

Students in Mr. Lewis Forensic Science class spatter drops of artificial blood from different heights and angles for comparison







## DENTAL ASSISTANT AT PHS



## DENTAL X-RAY DAY



Dental Assistant  
Class taught by  
Mr. Carlos Chavez

Dental Assisting is a foundation course that prepares students to assist the delivery of dental treatment & to function as an integral member of the dental health care team.



## EXAMINATION





# SANTA FE HIGH SCHOOL

OCTOBER 2024



## CAREERS IN EDUCATION II AT SFHS



## NEW ERA LEARNING

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Mrs. Vasquez' Careers In Education II students begin their work-based learning at Lakeview Elementary with TK - 5th grade students







The demonstration table!

## CULINARY ARTS AT WHS

Students learned how to make french omelets and how to perfect the egg technique!

### FUNDAMENTALS OF EGG COOKING!



Making pancakes and scones!



Culinary Arts I and II taught by **Chef Martinez**

Culinary Arts courses are designed to introduce students to fundamental food preparation terms, concepts, and methods in Culinary Arts where laboratory practice will parallel class work.



**"DO NOT OVER MIX"**



# RUBEN SALAZAR HIGH SCHOOL



OCTOBER 2024



“Marleen has been one of my most outstanding students since day 1. I have appreciated her honesty, transparency, and strength that she has demonstrated regarding some difficult assignments and discussions that we have had in the Life Management class. Marleen is also an integral member of ASB here on campus and is always going above and beyond her normal responsibilities as a student and contributing towards a more positive culture both in and out of the classroom at Salazar. I am looking forward to working with her more in the next class and watching her grow into the person she was called to be!”

**MARLEEN ROSAS, 12TH**

-Matthew Rojas, TCROP Instructor

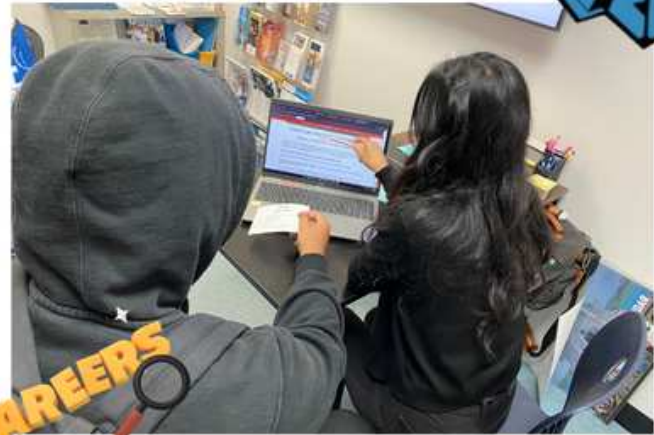
# FRONTIER HIGH SCHOOL



Pedro will be graduating in December from Frontier High School. Pedro plans to join the Ironworkers, Local 416, after graduating.



**Pedro Jimenez**  
FHS Senior



Ms. Jackie, ROP Advisor, reviewing career options with ROP seniors.

Showcasing ROP after-school and adult programs at Frontier High School during lunch!







# Teachers' Proud Moments Page



Students in Ms. Betty Brooks' After-School CNA class celebrate Halloween and Dia de los muertos at their clinical site. These students have now completed the course, including internship hours!



Mrs. Cristina Vasquez's advanced Career in Education students have begun their internships at Lakeview Elementary School. They are, no doubt, receiving valuable lessons that only work-based learning can give!



The Certified Nurse Assistant students pictured above are former CNA students taught by Mr. Ronnel Farol who are now gainfully employed as CNAs! Mr. Farol routinely receives visits from former students who offer assistance to current students.



Rio Hondo College's Career & Workforce Education in partnership  
with CCE's Grow Your Own Teacher Pathway presents



# VIRTUAL SYMPOSIUM CHANGE 2024

Creating Hope And Nurturing Growth in Education

## Non-Traditional Pathways for Educators of Color



Saturday  
November 16, 2024



Time  
9:00 am - 1:00 pm



Contact Us  
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Education  
Pathway





# Getting Social



A snapshot of a few FB, IG posts, and Tweets from TCROP. Let us help promote your class! Share your pictures and stories at mburrola@tricityrop.org or TCROPNews@gmail.com.

**LET'S TACO 'BOUT YOUR FUTURE**

Contact your College & Career Pathways Advisor on campus to learn how an ROP class can add some spice to your schedule and set you on a pathway to future success!

- California High School - David Bellis DBellis@tricityrop.org
- El Rancho High School - Mayra Campos MCampos@tricityrop.org
- La Sierra High School - Jonathan Olmedo JOlmedo@tricityrop.org
- Pioneer High School - Elia Cabral ECabral@tricityrop.org
- SFHS - Jonathan Olmedo JOlmedo@tricityrop.org
- WHS - Jacqueline Ramirez JRamirez@tricityrop.org

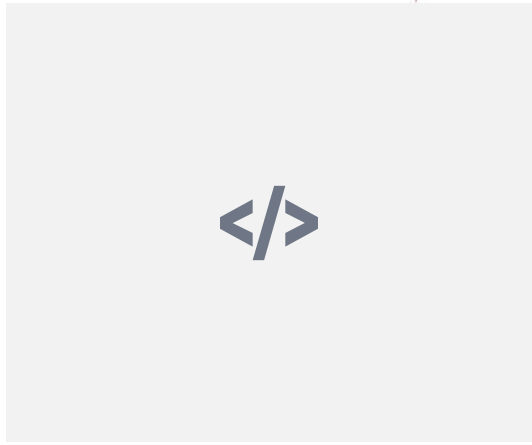
On this National Taco Day, we'd like to remind you that our College & Career Pathways Advisors are here to discuss your future. Let's TACO 'BOUT how to get you on the pathway to success! #proud2btcrop #tacotuesday 🌮🥑🌶️



**TO SEE VIDEO OF STORY BELOW**

Join us in congratulating our Fall CNA Adult Students who completed the CNA course and are now preparing to take the State exam! Way to go, students! Good luck! #proud2btcrop #cte #cnalife

**Come along with us on a field trip!**



TRI-CITIES REGIONAL OCCUPATIONAL PROGRAM

**CNA / HHA CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS**

**AUTOIMMUNE SYSTEM DISORDERS**

Saturday, October 12, 2024

\$50 for each class of 4 hours of CEU's

Register online. No walk-ins.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO ENROLL

MORE INFORMATION

562 698-9571 x 200

www.tricityrop.org

Are you a CNA looking for Continuing Education Units? Tri-Cities ROP offers CEU classes at a low cost of \$50 for each 4-hour CEU class. Next session will be held on Saturday, October 12. Scan the QR Code below to register. #proud2btcrop #cnalife



We're proud to announce that one of Mr. Ronnel Farol's former CNA students, Breanna Salas, has officially become an RN! From the hard work, dedication, and compassion shown as a CNA, we knew Breanna was destined for success! Breanna, your journey is an inspiration to all of our current and future healthcare students. We can't wait to hear about the incredible things you discover and accomplish as an RN! Join us in celebrating Breanna's amazing achievement. #proud2btcrop

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# Around Town

Around Town is a feature reserved for events happening in and around the communities we serve. If you would like to advertise a special event, email the information to [mburrola@tricitiecrop.org](mailto:mburrola@tricitiecrop.org) for possible inclusion in an upcoming newsletter.

**MAGIC SHOW**  
AT  
**THE WHITTIER MUSEUM**

**NOVEMBER 23RD 2024**

**MATINEE 2PM-4PM**  
VIP Tickets Seating first 4 rows center  
Adults \$40 Children under 12 \$30

**EVENING SHOW 7PM-9PM**  
VIP Tickets Seating first 4 rows center  
Adults \$45 Children under 12 \$20

**WHITTIER CENTER THEATER**  
2630 Washington Ave., Whittier CA 90602



**El Rancho Adult School**

**CPR & AED TRAINING**

Cost: \$60

Get Certified for two years!

Space is limited to 15 people. Register today!

**Saturday, January 25, 2025**

Location:

**El Rancho Adult School  
8110 Paramount Blvd,  
Pico Rivera, CA 90660**

Time:

**8:00am - 2:00pm (6 hrs)**

*About the training*

The 6 hour training session will teach attendees how to perform CPR on adults, children and infants. The course reflects science and education of the American Heart Association (AHA) 2020 Updated for CPR and the AHA/ Red Cross Guidelines for First Aid. Upon successful completion of the course you will be given an AHA card that certifies your training for the next two years!

REGISTER AT: [WWW.ADLT.ED.ERSUD.ORG](http://WWW.ADLT.ED.ERSUD.ORG)





# DENTAL ASSISTANT

Course Fee: \$2,000

**\$250 FOR BILINGUAL IN ANY LANGUAGE:**

Scan code



Includes: CPR Training, Background Check

**FEBRUARY 3, 2025 -  
MAY 29, 2025**

**Monday - Thursday  
8:30am - 12:30pm**

REGISTER ON-LINE:

**[www.tricitiesrop.org](http://www.tricitiesrop.org)**

Please note that dates and times are subject to change or cancellation based on enrollment.

## CERTIFICATES EARNED:

- RADIATION SAFETY
- 8 HOUR INFECTION CONTROL
- HIPAA
- AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION CPR CERTIFICATION

Required before class begins: Negative Covid Test, Negative TB test, current influenza, Covid, and HepB vaccinations.



**Enroll today!**

Scan QR Code or go to [www.tricitiesrop.org](http://www.tricitiesrop.org)

**Not ready?**

Add yourself to our interest list for the next class.



### Tuition assistance information:

America's Job Center of California (AJCC)  
Southeast Area Social Services Funding Authority (SASSFA)  
Serving the Tri-Cities area: (562) 946-2237, x253



Department of Consumer Affairs  
**DENTAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA**

**10800 Ben Avon Street, Bldg. E, Whittier, CA 90606 ▲ (562) 698-9571**



# NURSE ASSISTANT PRE-CERTIFICATION

COURSE FEE: \$2,000

INCLUDES BOOK, UNIFORM, LIVE SCAN, AND STATE CERTIFICATION EXAM FEE

February 11, 2025 - May 19, 2025

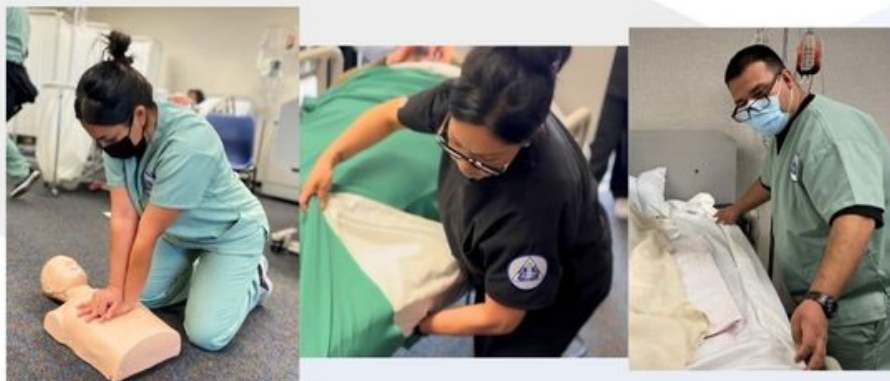
Monday through Thursday

1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

**Prerequisites before externship:**

Negative TB tests, Covid vaccination card, current influenza vaccination, and health clearance.

All students are required to have a valid government issued photo identification and original social security card to take the California State Exam.



*Eleven weeks to a new career!*



**Approved training facility by the California Department of Public Health**

**Training prepares students for the California State Nurse Assistant Exam**

**Includes Theory & Clinical/Internship Experience and AHA CPR**



*Classroom Location:*

EL RANCHO EDUCATION CENTER  
9515 HANEY STREET, ROOM 9  
PICO RIVERA, CA 90660

(ACROSS THE STREET FROM EL RANCHO HIGH SCHOOL)

*More info!*

If you are unemployed, please contact America's Job Center to see if you qualify for tuition assistance (562) 946-2237 x253

**Register online at:**  
**▶ [www.tricitiesrop.org](http://www.tricitiesrop.org)**

Scan QR code for quick registration:



**Tri-Cities ROP**

10800 Benavon Street, Bldg. E  
Whittier, CA 90606  
(562) 698-9571 x200

(located on the Pioneer H. S. campus, behind the Aquatic Center)



**COMING SOON**

# TCROP Activities – November



**October**

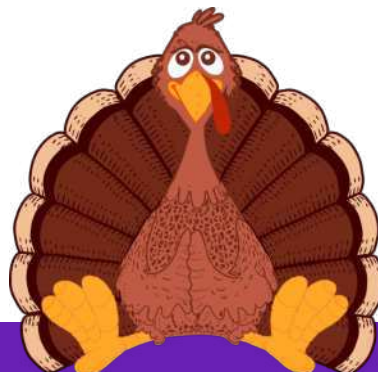
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## November 2024

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3 Daylight Savings Time Ends Set clocks back 1 hour	4 Nurse Asst HS EREC Class 2 begins	5 <b>PAY DAY</b> <b>VOTE</b> ERUSD Board Mtg 6:30pm	6 PLC Meeting #2 All Industries 3:30-4:30pm Virtual	7	8 A	9 AJ Academy No Class B
10 Tri-Cities ROP Office hours 11/12 thru 11/15 7:30am-4:00pm	11 Veterans Day HOLIDAY ROP Center Closed	12 WUHS D Board Mtg 7pm	13	14 Board Meeting 4:00pm	15 WUHS D Progress—Mid Qtr 2 Due	16
17	18	19	20 Nov 20-22 CAROCP State Board Meeting 9-2:30pm Omni, Rancho Mirage	21 TIME CARDS DUE For additional time CTE Conference Rancho Mirage	22 CTE Conference Rancho Mirage A	23 AJ Academy No Class
24 Tri-Cities ROP Office hours 11/25 thru 11/26 7:30am-4:00pm	25 ERUSD / WUHS D Thanksgiving Recess 11/25—11/29	26	27 Admissions Day HOLIDAY ROP Center Closed	28 Thanksgiving Day HOLIDAY No WBL Training ROP Center Closed	29 HOLIDAY ROP Center Closed	30
	Tri-Cities ROP Annual <b>TOY DRIVE</b> thru Dec 06, 2024 Drop by our office and bring an unwrapped toy for children ages 6-18 - Boys & Girls Club of Whittier   Pico Rivera -				<b>Birthdays</b> 4 Carlos Chavez 6 Betty Brooks 16 Scott Freeman 24 Kathy Shipka 26 Jenny Mojica 27 Jackie Ramirez	





## Double Puzzle

Solve the anagrams and use the circled letters in the top part to complete the final phrase at the bottom. Each circled letter is used just once.

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# TCROP Calendar 2024-2025



## TRI-CITIES ROP ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2024-2025

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DATE	EVENT	DATE	EVENT
July 4	Independence Day Holiday (All)	Jan 7	WUHSD Start of Second Semester
July 11	TCROP Board Meeting	Jan 9	TCROP Board Meeting
Aug 8	TCROP Back-to-School Inservice (AM)	Jan 13	ERUSD Start of Second Semester
Aug 8	TCROP Board Meeting (PM)	Jan 20	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (All)
Aug 9	WUHSD Teacher Float Day	Feb 10	Lincoln's Birthday Holiday (All)
Aug 12	WUHSD Day One	Feb 13	TCROP Board Meeting
Aug 13	WUHSD Freshman First Day	Feb 17	Presidents' Day Holiday (All)
Aug 14	WUHSD First Day of School	Mar 10	ERUSD Staff Development Day
Aug 15	ERUSD First Day of School	Mar 13	TCROP Board Meeting
Sept 2	Labor Day Holiday (All)	Mar 21	WUHSD End of Quarter Three
Sept 12	TCROP Board Meeting	Mar 24-28	ERUSD/WUHSD Spring Break
Oct 4	ERUSD Staff Dev – No Students	Mar 31	ERUSD/TCROP Cesar Chavez Holiday
Oct 10	TCROP Board Meeting	Apr 10	TCROP Board Meeting
Oct 11	ERUSD/WUHSD End of Quarter One	Apr 18	TCROP Good Friday Holiday
Nov 11	Veterans Day Holiday (All)	Apr 21	WUHSD Easter Monday Holiday
Nov 14	TCROP Board Meeting	Apr 23	TCROP Evening of Excellence
Nov 25-27	ERUSD/WUHSD No School	May 8	TCROP Board Meeting
Nov 27	TCROP Admission Day Observed	May 26	Memorial Day Holiday (All)
Nov 28-29	Thanksgiving Holidays (All)	June 4	WUHSD End of Semester Two
Dec 12	TCROP Board Meeting	June 10	ERUSD End of Semester Two
Dec 20	ERUSD, WUHSD End of First Semester	June 12	TCROP Board Meeting
Dec 23-Jan 6	WUHSD Winter Break	June 19	Juneteenth Holiday (All)
Dec 23-Jan 10	ERUSD Winter Break		
Dec 24-25	TCROP Christmas Holidays		<b>KEY</b>
Dec 23-27	TCROP Office Closed		ERUSD Activity
Dec 31-Jan 1	TCROP New Year's Holidays		TCROP Activity
Jan 2-3	TCROP Office will be Open		WUHSD Activity
			Holiday
			Multiple Activities on Same Date
		★ = End of Semester	
		☾ = Evening of Excellence	

REVISED-October 10, 2024



