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TRUSD eNews

Greetings!

We hope the new school year is off to a great start for our families, students and staff. We are just getting started, but there is a lot to report: amazing academic gains in many of our schools, the introduction of elementary-level district sports' leagues, expansion of our preschool and AVID programs, the grand opening of a student-run credit union, state approval of our districtwide technology plan, and an award for the best designed police vehicles in the western US. Read on to find out more about what's going on with our students and staff and please consider joining us at an upcoming event. Our events are updated weekly on our website at <http://www.twinriversusd.org/>

Academic Performance Index - Work Pays Off

Gains Throughout Twin Rivers Schools

There's been a lot to celebrate in the past couple weeks with the release of the API scores for Twin Rivers Schools. For example, Oakdale Elementary School saw an amazing 102 point rise this past year! In addition:

- Joyce Elementary, Del Paso Elementary and Miles P Richmond Schools saw a more than 50 point improvement
- North Avenue, Hagginwood and Rio Linda Elementary Schools gained more than 40 points
- Garden Valley, Harmon Johnson, Noralto, Northwood, Kohler and Sierra View Elementary Schools jumped 30 points
- Babcock Elementary, Strauch Elementary, Foothill Oaks Elementary, Fortier Elementary, Ridgepoint Elementary, Allison Elementary, Westside Elementary, Woodridge Elementary, Foothill Farms Junior High, and Vista Nueva Career and Technology High School all saw a 20 point improvement

Congratulations to the students, families and staff! For more information about the gains, visit the news section of our website at <http://www.twinriversusd.org/newsroom/news/>

Facilities News and Information

Informational Community Meetings

Please join us to discuss important facilities issues affecting our local schools. Initial topics will include:

Plans for the East Natomas Educational Complex (ENEC) and refinancing analysis

Potential Twin Rivers USD instructional programs and initiatives for ENEC

Plans for moving forward

For more information about the series of meetings, visit our web site events section at www.twinriversusd.org

Citizens Bond Oversight Committee

TRUSD is looking for individuals to serve on our district Bond Oversight Committee which will oversee how the funds from all four of our merged districts' bonds are spent. If you are 18 and reside in our district boundaries, we welcome your participation. The deadline is September 26, and more information can be found on our web site http://www.twinriversusd.org/depts/business_support/

Twin Rivers Police Take Top Honors

Cops West Competition

Cops West is an annual event that is considered America's premier law enforcement expo. Among many of the informational events (Training, Test and Evaluation, etc) there is a steep competition that takes place as well. There were six contest categories with excellent entries from agencies throughout the western states. The Twin Rivers District Police Department is the proud recipient of the prestigious award for "Best Cruiser Decal." There were approximately 15 participants just within this category. Many large companies have requested to use our vehicle in several nationally publicized police magazines. Twin Rivers vehicles will also be on display during the entire expo this coming spring.

Upcoming Events and Activities

Board of Trustee Meetings - 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, visit our [web site](#) for locations as some have changed.

9/23 Community Meeting - Winona 2:30 p.m. [more information](#) in events section

9/27 Twin Rivers Soccer Jamboree - Foothill High School 7 a.m.-1 p.m.

9/27 Harvest Celebration - Potluck Lunch at Serna Village Garden [more information](#)

9/30 Community Meeting - Regency Park Elementary 6:30 p.m. [more information](#) in events section

10/8 Parent Involvement Training - Grant High School 5:30 p.m. [more information](#) in the events section

10/15 Tutoring Fair - Grant High School 4 p.m. [more information](#)

10/17 Homecoming - Highlands Academy 4 p.m. parade

10/17 Professional Development - Non-student Day

10/22 Parent Involvement Training - Foothill High School 5:30 p.m.

10/25 eWaste Disposal Fundraiser - Foothill High, [more information](#) in the events section

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