

West Contra Costa Unified School District  
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**Friday Memo**  
**September 9, 2022**

**Upcoming Events – Kenneth Chris Hurst Sr., Ed.D**

September 9: Middle Schools Only Minimum Day

September 10: Fingerprint Party, 9:00am-12:00pm at Harding Elementary School

September 12: CBOC Meeting, 6:00pm at 1400 Marina Way S, Richmond CA 94804

**Next Board of Education Meeting September 21, 2022– Kenneth Chris Hurst Sr., Ed.D**

**California Uniform Public Construction Cost Account Act (CUPCCAA) - Luis Freese**

The California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act is also known as CUPCCAA. The Act is legislation enacted in 1983 to help promote “uniformity of the cost accounting standards and bidding procedures on construction work performed or contracted by public entities in the state” (Public Contract Code Section 22001). The Act is a voluntary program available to all public entities in the State, but it applies only to those public agencies that have “opted in” to the provisions set forth by the Act using the processes outlined in the Act. The District has participated in the Program since the original Board adoption of Resolution#90-0809. Many participating agencies appreciate the program because it has given them more leeway in the execution of public works projects under a certain dollar amount; sped up the award process; expedited project delivery; reduced the time, effort, and expense associated with bidding projects under \$200,000; and simplified administration for those projects. The District will present a list of delegated CUPCCAA projects to the Board for ratification throughout the year.

**Educational Services Updates - LaResha Martin**

**2023-24 SPSA Timeline - LaResha Martin (State & Federal & Educational Services)**

As we move into the new year, we wanted to share the 2023-24 SPSA and PAC engagement timeline that will be used this school year with our school sites. This information was shared with the principals by email from the State & Federal department on September 7, 2022. [2023-24 SPSA Timeline](#)

**Family & Community Engagement - LaResha Martin (Martine Blake & team)**

All sites are engaged in outreach and recruitment for their Parent and Student Advisory Committees. The deadlines for all elections and selections are September 30, and the sites have until October 15 to provide their rosters and evidence to the Family and Community Engagement Department. [Here](#) is the message they received on Tuesday to support their efforts.

**WCCUSD Students Attend Chevron’s Road to Zero - LaResha Martin (Allison Huie & team)**

Students from Richmond High School’s Engineering Academy attended Richmond’s Road to Zero Day this week. This event brought together regional businesses, government representatives and community leaders together to learn more about the exciting role that hydrogen will play in the Bay Area’s energy transition

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*Chevron Richmond General Director Tolly Graves with students and teacher from Richmond High School's Engineering Academy*

This inspiring day showcased technologies and renewable fuels, allowing participants to learn about the journey toward a lower and zero-carbon future for Richmond, the Bay Area, and California.

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*Students hear from Chevron Richmond Department's Battalion Chief and Tolly Graves, General Director of Chevron, Richmond*

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Panel discussions featured topics such as: *Hydrogen's Promise and Hurdles*, *Transforming Transportation*, and *Helping Meet California's Climate Ambitions with Hydrogen*. Speakers included Congressman John Garamendi, Bill Elrick, Executive Director of California Fuel Cell Partnership, Mike Hursh, CEO of AC Transit and more. State Senator Josh Newman delivered the keynote address.



*RHS Engineering students speak with Bill Whitney, CEO of the Contra Costa Building and Construction Trades Council and Tolly Graves, General Director of Chevron, Richmond*

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**Communications Update - Ryan Phillips**

**Monday, September 5, 2022**

[2nd annual Berkeley Food Festival celebrates veganism, advocacy - The Daily Californian](#)

With the help of 100 volunteers from El Cerrito High School and Oakland Technical High School, festival founder Erika Hazel made her vision of creating a festival to help a nonprofit while destigmatizing veganism a reality. All event proceeds go to Friends of Berkeley Animal Care Services for allocation to facility enhancement of local pet adoption shelters.