



INSIGHT

A Few Words From Our CEO

This is the time of year for hope and optimism for all of our students, especially the seniors in high school and college as they take the next big step in their lives. I remember my high school graduation and distinctly remember thinking back on the many teachers that had dedicated their time and efforts for my benefit. Many of whom will never know how big of a role they played in shaping the future me.

For all of the teachers, administrators, custodians, bus drivers, nurses, cafeteria workers, and all the others that largely go unnoticed, I want to celebrate the difference you make for all of the students you have influenced along the way. You all are what made America Great, kept America Great, and will keep America Great for future generations. For that, please accept my sincere gratitude for jobs well done.

**Congrats!
Class of
2023!**



That said, now is the time for you to take care of yourselves for the next couple of months. I hope that you take the opportunity to visit with family, old friends, and visit the natural wonders of the world we live in. After all, there is so much to learn, and so much to teach our young children about the diversities all around the world.

Be safe and have a wonderful summer break.

I hope to "C U" when school resumes.

Steven A. Devan
President & Chief Executive Officer

A Summer Program Where Students Thrive On More Than Just Vitamin D

Summer days in Cajon Valley Union School District's four-week **Camp Cajon** are simply incredible for the nearly 5,000 students expected to participate this year – for free! Pile on the fun at Camp Sunrise, Camp Sunset, and the two weeks of Extended Summer, and there will not be an "I'm bored" uttered for these East County kids. At the 11 sites, activities will be focused on RIASEC (Realistic, Investigative, Artistic, Social, Enterprising, Conventional) traits to build students' curiosity into different career paths. From a behind the scenes tour at Petco Park for Sports Career week, to trips to police and fire stations during Public Service Workers week, the field trips are nothing but fantastic!

Janelle Merry, Coordinator II and Nicolle Starr, Program Manager are very excited to be partnering with the Prevent Drowning Foundation of San Diego to give free swim lessons to 700 students. They both love what they do because, "You see kids doing stuff they don't usually get to do." It also helps students be prepared for the next school year by building relationships with staff and classmates. They are very proud of their summer program and know the magic wouldn't be possible without the staff support of 375 certificated, 200 classified, and every department in the district.



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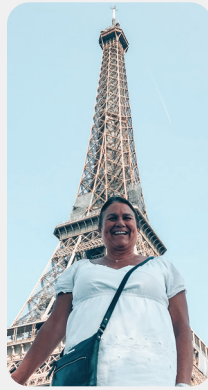
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Traveling the World Through the Lens of a Longtime Educators Tour Veteran

"Only 44 more days!" said Traci Williams, Administrative Assistant for GUHSD, as we finished up our interview. The annual Educators Tour is the highlight of her year. "When I'm working, it gives me something to look forward to every July." For 17 years, the Educators Tour has brought together employees and their families from East County School Districts to explore, relax, and create a lifetime of memories.



This year Traci is celebrating her 5th Educators Tour in Croatia, July 4th-15th, on a 36-passenger yacht with dear friends. In past years she has toured Ireland, Greece, Switzerland, and the French Riviera with the credit union. In all these tours Traci can't express enough how safe and comfortable she has always felt amongst our group. For Traci, these trips are adventures she lives for; from lugging around in her suitcase an antique cast iron teapot she purchased from a shepherd in Ireland to roaming the beautiful cobble-stoned farmers markets in Greece, the Educators Tour never gets old.

"It gives me the opportunity to see the world with an open mind and heart," says Traci. Her experience of making new friends in new countries is exhilarating and tells everyone she talks to, "you need to go!" She says, "being able to see so much of the world with so many neat people and have it all planned out for you," makes it an easy decision to say yes, "sign me up!".

The Educators Tour has provided Traci with the cultural immersion her soul craves. It's her personal self-care trip that brings the best out of her. This year she looks forward to taking photos and falling in love with a place she never even had on her radar to visit. The people on the Educators Tour always provide her with the comfort she needs in order to relax. For that reason, it's not a surprise Traci is counting down the days until she's laying on the beach with wonderful friends.

Congratulations to Our \$1,000 Scholarship Winners

ECSFCU awarded \$1,000 each to the following Thomas H. Gould/Paul R. Marsh Scholarship recipients for their outstanding character, merit and campus and community activities.



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of El Capitan High School
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