

# K12 STRONG WORKFORCE PROGRAM NEWSLETTER: REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

December 2020

## Sweetwater Union High School District Hosts Parent/Student Career Nights

Sweetwater Union High School District (SUHSD) utilized K12 SWP funding to host a series of Parent/Student Career Nights. Attended by more than 150 individuals, these events highlighted industry sectors aligned with SUHSD pathways: Engineering, Health Sciences, Information Communication Technologies, and Public Services. The events covered: labor market information, the future of the San Diego workforce, SUHSD pathway information, and allowed for networking.



## Individual(s) of the Quarter!

Meet our K12 Pathway Coordinators! Their role is focused on improving the performance of the K14 CTE programs within their service area.

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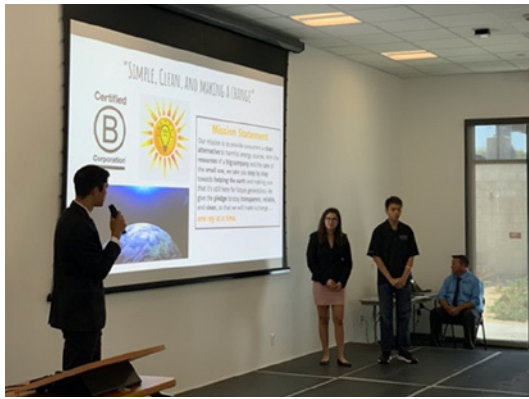
## Imperial County Shaping the Future's Workforce Together

K12 SWP allowed Imperial County's 17 school districts to partner with Imperial Valley College, Imperial Valley Regional Occupational Program, the Imperial County Office of Education, and various industry partners to form the Imperial County's Strong Workforce Program Consortium (ICSWPC). High schools expanded CTE programs in industry sectors with strong local labor demands and middle schools adopted a "Building a Bridge to your Future" campaign to ensure all students begin thinking about their individualized ten-year plan at an early age.



## Kearny High School Partners with Miramar College for Certificate Program

This spring, the Kearny High Educational Complex enrolled 28 seniors in the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) program at San Diego Miramar College. The EMT Program offers comprehensive education and skills-training in prehospital emergency care. Students reflect on the overall experience, create personal and professional goals, write resumes, and practice essential skills related to employment. To complete the certificate, students take the San Diego County EMT skills certification exam which allows them to graduate high school as college and career ready.



## SunPower Solar Academy Showcases Job Opportunities for Grossmont Unified High School District

During summer 2019, 29 students from across Grossmont Unified High School District (GUHSD) took part in the 4th Annual SunPower Solar Academy. Students learned about careers in renewable energy and sustainability, and presented a final business plan showcasing their knowledge of photovoltaic system design and finance. GUHSD is grateful for the support of business partner, SunPower Solar educational partner, Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District, and K12 SWP funding.

## Carlsbad High School's CTE Broadcast Journalism Students Nominated for Prestigious Pacemaker Award....Again!

On November 5, The National Student Press Association announced that Carlsbad High School TV had, for the fourth consecutive year, been nominated for the Pacemaker Award. Carlsbad High School's Broadcast Journalism Team has won the award two of the last three years, in the category of "Live News Broadcasting." The award emphasizes journalism; focusing on writing, balance, delivery and the sophistication of show content.



## Orange Glen High School Automotive Program Recognized by NC3

The National Coalition of Certification Centers (NC3) certification supplements a school's existing curriculum with theory and hands-on practice. Marco Gamez, an NC3 Campus Administrator and Automotive Technology Teacher at Orange Glen High School, was recognized by NC3 for student certification levels that jumped more than 200% in three years, demonstrating his uncompromising dedication to his students and the success of the CTE program. "Offering NC3 Certifications gives students the opportunity to apply for jobs right out of high school" said Gomez. Orange Glen High School has also partnered with Palomar College to offer students introductory automotive courses that apply towards college credits.

### Recommended Resources

**CTE Online:** <https://www.cteonline.org/>

**SDCOE Sector Specific Resources:** <https://cte.innovatesd.org/sectors.html>

**SDICCC Career Education Guide:** [https://myworkforceconnection.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/20-CE-0403\\_CareerEducationGuideUpdate\\_FNL\\_Bleed.pdf](https://myworkforceconnection.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/20-CE-0403_CareerEducationGuideUpdate_FNL_Bleed.pdf)