**Strategic Plan**

The strategic plan is nearing its final form and will be presented to the board at its July 18th meeting. Included in our plan is our vision, mission, and core values that will drive our work for the next 5 years.

**Our Vision**

We envision a community with engaged learners and leaders who have the social, emotional, academic, and technical skills to thrive in a changing world.

**Our Mission**

To lead an equitable and innovative learner-centered educational system.

**Our Values**

Equity, Innovation, Partnership, and Excellence

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**Fundraiser for YWP**

**July 11** - I had the pleasure of joining Julia Chiapella for a fundraiser for the Young Writers Program (YWP) which helps students find their voice in writing. The Chamber of Heart & Mystery is moving from the Museum of Art and History to Branciforte Middle School. A great space to find your writing inspiration!

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**School Shooter Training**

**June 26** - The UC Santa Cruz Police Dept. conducted an Active Shooter Training for several Police/Fire Depts. & school staff from across the county. We are deeply grateful to Scotts Valley Supt. Tanya Kraus for hosting the event at SVHS & Bryan Wall for helping with the logistics. It is imperative that we continue working to improve and strengthen school safety, crisis management, and emergency response.

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**BASTA Sports Camp**

**July 11** - Over 30 students from Santa Cruz County participated in the BASTA sports camp, offering positive sport, learning, & leadership experiences to youth during the summer. Great partnership with Santa Cruz PD, the DA’s Office, and the COE. Students participated in the program for 4 weeks. #StudentPrograms

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**Upcoming Events**

- July 18 - County Board Meeting
- Aug 3 - Stuff the Bus: School Supply Collection
- Aug 7 - Admin Kickoff (Seascape Golf Club)
- Aug 15 - County Board Meeting
- Aug 19 - Staff Orientation (Sequoia)
- Aug 21 - First Day of COE Schools
Student Support Services

Summer In The City Internship

July 3rd concluded the 2nd annual Summer in the City Internship Program sponsored by the City of Watsonville and PVUSD. 21 students from the surrounding high schools participated in crafting policy recommendations as junior city council members and learned about various roles and jobs that exist within the city employment structure. Participant students had the opportunity to work with an experienced CTE teacher to help polish their vocational and interpersonal skills throughout the program. Some students were able to co-enroll with the Sueños work experience program to receive extra incentives and support which extend beyond the internship program.

Stuff The Bus

STUFF THE BUS
BACKPACK & SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATION DRIVE
WWW.UNITEDWAYSC.ORG/STB

Stuff the The Bus: School Supply Collection Drive is in full swing and we are gearing up for the Stuff-A-Thon which will be held Saturday, August 3rd at the Kaiser Permanente Arena from 10am to noon. Each year, the COE partners with United Way to raise money and donations from the community and COE staff to ensure the Student Support Services Department has ~3,000 backpacks to provide to students experiencing homelessness or extreme hardship in each district. The COE plays a big role in garnering support for the drive along with United Way. We appreciate our corporate partners including Poly, UPS, Bay Federal, New Leaf Markets and more for their help in this countywide effort! Please feel free to share information about this event with your network and community, as we are in need of supplies, donations, and volunteers. See sccoe.link/stb for more information.
CTEP has hired Henry Michel as the new Program Coordinator. Henry comes to us with experience as a high school administrator. He will be directly responsible for managing the CTEP programs at the Career Advancement Charter and the Sheriff’s Corrections facilities.

Special Education
The Special Education department successfully completed the Extended Year Program on July 17th, 2019. They continue to make preparations for the fall, including our three days of staff development scheduled for August 14-17, 2019 here at the COE.

Business Services
The division is working on deep cleaning school sites and making and repairs that may be needed. In addition, the division is reviewing for approval District Budgets and LCAPs. We are now live on ESCAPE and have done our first two Accounts Payable Runs.

Human Resources
During Fiscal year 2018-19, the Human Resources departments credentialing staff processed approximately 300 paper applications mailed to the Commission on teacher credentialing. Applications included Child Development permits, applications for transferring out of state credentials to California, renewals, and Emergency/Limited assignment credentials. They also processed 215 applications for the substitute teaching list and 425 direct online applications to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing for substitute teaching permits and for preliminary credential holders who completed the New Teacher Project Induction Program.

Technology, Innovation, and Communications
New Digital Content
Two new videos have been developed to promote the County Office of Education and to help recruit students to Cypress Charter High School. These videos will be placed on the COE website and distributed through social media.

The Technology, Innovation, and Communications Division has worked to redefine our professional learning and meeting spaces here at the COE. The new video wall and control systems has been finalized in the Boardroom. We are excited to train users on new approaches to video presentations and collaborative multimedia feeds. The team has also, working closely with the Communication Planning Committee, finalized the Communication Plan to create systematic approach toward sharing our work! Finally, the team is working very closely with the Business division in ensuring all the on premise servers and databases were and continue to be optimized for our financial system, Escape!