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*To inspire each student to
extraordinary achievement
every day*

May 17, 2024

To Staff and the Twin Rivers School Community,

Graduation is just around the corner and our TR team is working hard to prepare for this significant and exciting milestone. Our district will proudly award high school diplomas to nearly 1,450 young adults in the Class of 2024. For our students, high school graduation is not just a culmination of years of hard work—it's a celebration of their incredible K-12 journey of learning, growth and bittersweet experiences. This is a moment for all of us in Twin Rivers to cherish as graduates mark the end of one chapter and the exciting beginning of another, whether it's pursuing higher education, careers, or military service.

As you are aware, the benefits of high school graduation are vast. It opens doors to higher education, provides opportunities for meaningful careers, and serves as a foundation for lifelong learning and personal development. There's also a sense of pride that gives increased confidence and courage to our graduates to pursue their dreams and goals.

Like our families, I eagerly anticipate attending our high school graduation ceremonies which begin [May 28 and conclude June 4](#). It's always great celebrating with our graduates, staff, families and the community as we recognize the promise, hope and talent in the Class of 2024.

Imagine how they will feel when they hear the cheers and see the tears of joy streaming down the faces of their parents and loved ones who have supported and believed in them every step of the way. I'm getting a little emotional just thinking about it. I hope they know the entire Twin Rivers school community is immensely proud of them. They will always have our unwavering support, even as they move on to new adventures, new responsibilities, new challenges, and endless opportunities for growth. We have full confidence in their ability to succeed and make a positive impact wherever life takes them.

#TRUSD Proud Alert!

- A significant milestone for three TR graduating seniors. Our heartfelt congratulations to **Bradley Nall** (Rio Linda High), **Jaelynn Xiong** (Grant), and **Khadija Ahmadzai** (Highlands). They will graduate with both their high school diploma and their Associate of Arts degree through our Dual Enrollment Program with American River College (ARC). This extraordinary accomplishment is a testament to their hard work, determination and unwavering commitment to their education. Balancing the demands of high school and college coursework is no small feat, and their ability to excel in both settings speaks volumes about them and their teachers.
- Hats off to the amazing **198 graduating seniors who earned the State Seal of Biliteracy**. It's awarded to seniors who have attained a high level of proficiency in speaking, reading and writing one or more languages, in addition to English.
- Congratulations to **TR teacher Johnnie Williams**. Mr. Williams is the ABC10 Teacher of the Month for June. He teaches English Language Arts (ELA) and math at F.C. Joyce.
- Two Twin Rivers teachers, **Caroline Sequeira** (Castori and Foothill Oaks) and **Craig Murray** (Rio Linda High School), were recently honored at the Friends of Sacramento Arts annual Heroes of Arts Education event. Thank you for enriching lives through the arts.

With pride and best wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Steve Martinez".

Steve Martinez, Ed.D.
Superintendent, Twin Rivers Unified