

# K-12 STRONG WORKFORCE PROGRAM NEWSLETTER: REGIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

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## Great Things Happen when Industry Connects with Career Technical Education

Michelle Miller, Area Human Resources Director for Hyatt Hotels, recently partnered with OUSD's Surfside Academy to develop a new hospitality pathway. They developed the first job description unique to Oceanside CTE students, named the Junior Task Force, and a hospitality prep course for students interested in applying.

Surfside students were very excited about the program as Hyatt associates completed two waves of interviews with a third one scheduled. Hyatt's goal is to place Oceanside CTE students in paid internships and offer them the opportunity to shadow hospitality employees as they receive the highest level of hospitality training available. Hyatt hopes to place many of these students in permanent jobs at one of their facilities in the future.

## Individual(s) of the Quarter!

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## Fallbrook FFA Excels at Livestock Show

Fallbrook High FFA members successfully exhibited their beef and lamb livestock at the Liberty and Freedom Camp on April 24-25. Held at the Ramona Outdoor Community Center, five students took home honors in several show classes. In the Market Beef category, Maude Hutson, Jacob Brown, Mallory Sehnert, and Kassidy Ewig placed in multiple Show Classes as Taylor Michalke placed in multiple Show Classes in the Market Sheep category. Representing FFA Chapters, 4H clubs, and independent groups, competitors from California and Arizona participated in this event.

The students have been raising their animals over the past five months, and their work will culminate at the San Diego County Fair in June.

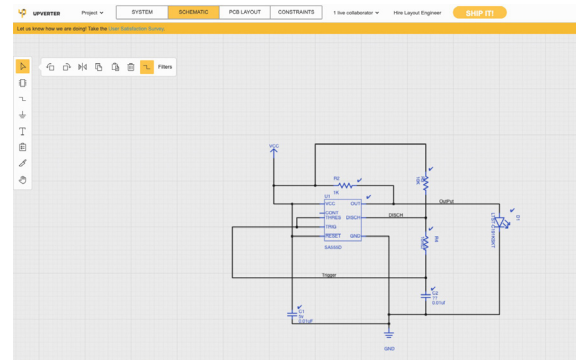
## Engineering Our Future!

As one of San Diego Unified School District's valued partners in the K12 Strong Workforce Program, Northrop Grumman hosted a series of events during National Engineer Week for 60 female students from Marston Middle School and Wilson Middle School. In a virtual field trip, students were introduced to the world of engineering through first-hand accounts of women engineers from Northrop Grumman. Breaking out into groups, attendees learned about STEM programs and the historical impact of women in engineering as they engaged in hands-on engineering projects, including coding with cups and hoop gliders.

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## Bayfront Charter High School Hosts First CTE Advisory Meeting

At the first Career Technical Education Advisory meeting at Bayfront Charter High School, attendees included industry representatives, Southwestern faculty members and the CE Dean, the Regional Director in Advanced Manufacturing, the Regional K12 pathway coordinator, and Bayfront staff and instructors. The advisory group provided clarity to create an Advanced Manufacturing product design pathway, with options to create additional pathways in AME and engineering in the future.



## Barbara Worth Building a Bridge to Your Future

Committed to ensuring that the Barbara Worth Junior High School Bobcats are career and college ready, the school is helping 900 7th and 8th graders imagine the possibilities for their future by implementing the Building a Bridge to Your Future curriculum in all classes weekly. In addition, the College and Career Readiness Club, advised by teachers Isaac Leon and Terri Shiffer, meets weekly with 30 student members participating in presentations on freshmen orientation, CTE soft skills, work experience from local community guest speakers, and virtual campus tours of various colleges and universities. BWJHS staff appreciate the Imperial County Strong Workforce Program Middle School Consortium for their partnership.



## GUHSD Hosts Successful District Advisory Meeting

The Grossmont Union High School District recently hosted its most successful CTE District Advisory meeting to date with over 100 people in attendance. Attendees included several state legislators, business and industry representatives, community college partners, GUHSD administrators, CTE teachers, parents, and students. The meeting was held virtually on March 11, 2021. Before the meeting, the College and Career Readiness Department conducted a Thought Exchange to gather initial ideas and feedback from stakeholders. Attendees then met in small industry-specific breakout groups during the meeting to give additional input on promising practices, program successes, and suggestions for improvement.

### Career Technical Education Meeting Objectives



- CTE: *Innovation and Resilience*
  - Share promising practices
  - Share program successes
  - Solicit stakeholder input for program improvement

## Recommended Resources

**K-12 to Community College Program Finder:** <https://programfinder.com/>

**Career Technical Education Incentive Grant resources:** <https://myworkforceconnection.org/strong-workforce-program/k12-swp-cteig/#item-1>