

ACE Newsletter: Nov 17, 2022

Happy Thanksgiving!

Thanksgiving is one of those times during the year when people are prone to reflection. When we thought about this past year – and what's to come – we all agreed that, even when the going gets tough, it's easy to remember all the reasons WHY we spend long days working to make needed change at CUSD. Above all, it's about our students. Their funny spirits and curious minds bring us tremendous joy. We're hopeful and grateful for all the support we've received in this journey to make their lives and education better. So here's a big THANK





YOU to our colleagues, students, community, friends, and families. Enjoy your vacation! Gobble, gobble.

CLICK HERE FOR SOME GREAT THANKSGIVING TRIVIA!



<u>DID YOU KNOW</u> that educators have a statutorily protected right to help parents/guardians of students with IEPs get services and support? Join us for a training on February 15th to learn more about this important topic. **RSVP here:** <u>ACE IEP Rights & Responsibilities</u>

<u>Training</u>

IN RESPONSE TO THE FACULTY SENATE:

Earlier this week, the Faculty Senate released information about liability when it comes to addressing 504 plans. When it comes to advocating for students with disabilities, it is important that educators know their rights.

- **Here's what was in the FS Minutes:** Liability can be personally on teachers if they do not implement a 504 plan within their classrooms.
- IN REALITY:
 - o If a 504 is not followed, the parents have a right to file an Office of Civil Rights (OCR) complaint against the district; likewise, teachers can file an OCR complaint if they think the district is violating the law.
 - Teachers should not refuse to follow 504s as this does violate federal anti-discrimination laws. However, the district is ultimately responsible for ensuring compliance.
 - If a teacher is complying with the guidance they've been given by the district, the district has a duty to "indemnify" them, or not hold them liable.

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New ACE Podcast: "Another Clovis Parent Supports ACE"

On this episode, Ben Avila, former classroom teacher and current CTA staff member and Clovis Unified parent, discusses the power of educators having an equal voice at the table.

Take a scroll through our YouTube videos. We have videos about <u>ACE in the grand scheme of things</u>, the <u>CUSD budget</u>, <u>ACE School Psychologists</u> presenting to the Board, and more!

This week's <u>social media</u> honored <u>Veterans Day</u>; and continued explaining the very reasonable things the ACE Psychs/MHSPs are bargaining for, such as <u>ratios</u>, <u>private workspaces</u>, <u>assessment caps</u>, and <u>time to write reports</u>.

What's On Your Mind About...

A core value of ACE is to empower the voices of educators, parents, students, and the community. Only by building consensus around the issues can we work towards solutions. If you have any questions or ideas, reach out to us at ace@cloviseducators.org. You can also take our surveys on specific topics:

CLASS SIZE SURVEY

SPED SURVEY

FACILITIES SURVEY

COMMUNITY SUPPORT SURVEY

Important Upcoming Dates NOV - DEC 2022

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
NOV	14	15 PERB Hearing	16	17	18
	21	22	23	24	25
	Thanksgiving Br	eak		THANKSGIVIN	IG
	28	29	30	1	2
DEC	5 ACE Psychs MHSPs Bargaining	6	7	8	9 CUSD Board Meeting
	12	13	14	15	16
18 Hanukkah begins	19 ACE Psychs MHSPs Bargaining	20	21	22	23 End of semester Christmas Eve

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