From the Chancellor's Desk



Campus Safety and Remembering Uvalde

June 14, 2022

KCCD Colleagues:

As we continue to grapple with our nation's most recent school shooting, it's a good time to discuss and review the safety of our various campuses. There are two key groups of people that would respond to a shooting event on our campuses - our local campus safety teams, and our local law enforcement. On June 21st at 3 pm, we will have a Chancellor's Seminar made up of law enforcement from Porterville, Ridgecrest, and Bakersfield, as well as leaders from the Public Safety departments from each of our three colleges.



You will hear from each of these individuals as they share the responses each agency would provide, as well as provide an overview of what is already being done to keep our colleges safe. They will also remind us of what we can do to be prepared and know how to respond in an active shooter situation. Thank you, Joe Grubbs, along with **Todd Dearmore**, **Cameron Anderson**, and **Kevin King**, for organizing this virtual meeting.

Please register for the webinar here.



On the same day as our Chancellor's Seminar, June 21st, we will hold a short remembrance for those who lost their lives in the Uvalde school shooting. Gian Gayatao, KCCD student trustee, has been leading an effort to gather students across the district to participate in the production of a video that is approximately 20 minutes in length. This video will be part of the program that will be held on each college campus on June 21st at 10:00 a.m.

If you are on campus, please plan on participating in-person at the following locations.

Porterville College Main Campus - SM Forum

Cerro Coso Main Campus - Community Room

Bakersfield College Main Campus - The Conference Room on the third floor of the ABC building

Delano Campus - DST 117

Thank you to the three Vice Presidents of Student Services, Prima Arvizu, Heather Ostash, and Manny Mourtzanos for partnering with students to host this event at each of the colleges. The program will start at 10:00 a.m., with the youtube premiere of the student video at 10:10, and will conclude at 10:40 a.m.

My hope is that each of us will clear our calendars at 10:00 a.m. and tune into the video at 10:10, to be connected as one KCCD body, remembering together the 21 who lost their lives at Robb Elementary.

The YouTube link will be provided as we get closer to June 21st.

With much warmth and collegiality.

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