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*To inspire each student to
extraordinary achievement
every day*

May 19, 2023

To Staff and the Twin Rivers School Community,

This week was an especially busy one around TR with employee celebrations, the opening of a new school-based health center and planning for upcoming special events. I'm happy to share the highlights with you.

Our Remarkable Team—Every day across our district, TR team members work in support of our students. From maintaining our buildings and serving nutritious meals to counseling support and classroom instruction, people are working in teams and with passion to serve our students and families. This week, we celebrated district office staff and it was a wonderful opportunity to convey our gratitude for their wonderful work throughout the year. Next week (May 21-27) there will be more recognitions—Classified School Employees Appreciation Week and Confidential Employees Appreciation Week. Thank you all for the exceptional work you do for TR.

Our Dedicated Community—This week, we saw the grand opening of a facility that was the shared vision of Twin Rivers Unified, the Neighborhood Wellness Foundation, the Sacramento Native American Health Center and Sutter Health. Pacers Take Space – Mind and Body facilities are located on the Grant Union High School West Campus, making mental well-being services and physical health services for our students easily accessible. Pacers Take Space – Mind opened this week, receiving great attention from the school community and local media. Pacers Take Space – Body, which serves physical health needs, is set to open in June. This unique partnership is a shining example of the innovative programs that TR is committed to provide our students.

On Tuesday, May 23, the district will break ground on the newest Twin Rivers Unified campus, Northlake TK-8 School! The new campus marks a significant milestone for our district as it is the first school located west of SR-99 and Interstate 5 and will meet the growing needs of the Northlake community in the Natomas area.

And on Friday, May 26, the district will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony to celebrate the completion of our Electric School Bus Charging Depot. The depot features 82 charging stations for our fleet of 58 pollution-free electric buses. By 2024, Twin Rivers will have 82 operating electric buses. All of this would not be possible without our incredible community partnerships with Sacramento Metro Air Quality Management District, the California Air Resources Board, the California Energy Commission, and our local utility provider, SMUD.

Our Graduating Seniors—We are thrilled to share with you that nearly 1,200 students are expected to graduate and we are eager to celebrate their success with family and friends. Earning a high school diploma is the culmination of years of hard work, tenacity, and perseverance. The district is now preparing for exciting graduation events at our high schools and recognition ceremonies at our middle schools. [Click here for the high school graduation schedule.](#)

Most people think things will slow down after graduations, but that's not the case in Twin Rivers. I look forward to sharing our summer projects in upcoming Friday Updates.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Steve Martinez". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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