

South Bay Workforce Investment Board

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South Bay Workforce Investment Board and Centinela Valley Union High School District Present Virtual Community Partner Summit and Academy Expo

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HAWTHORNE – More than 100 students, faculty advisors, instructors and southland based employers participated in the 4th annual Community Partner Summit and Academy Expo, presented virtually on November 18th, by the Centinela Valley Union High School District (CVUHSD) in cooperation with the South Bay Workforce Investment Board (SBWIB).

The annual event enabled business owners and professionals to learn about the CVUHSD career academies and career pathways opportunities. The hour-long session included keynote speakers, presentations by students, and breakout rooms for industry partners to connect with students. The Zoom powered event utilized a combination of formats including webinar, meeting, and breakout rooms.

"We are proud of our long-time partnership with the Centinela District in presenting this community partnership event, which enables public and private employers to learn about mentoring, internships, and work-based learning experiences that these students are eager and prepared to take on," noted SBWIB Executive Director Jan Vogel.

CVUHSD offers students learning experiences in nine different career academies including: Academy of Cinematic Arts, Biomedical Careers Academy, Culinary Careers Academy, Environmental Careers Academy, Marine Science Academy, Multimedia Careers Academy, School of Criminal Justice, School of Manufacturing & Engineering and Technical Arts and Design Academy. Career Technical Education Pathways in Commercial Music, Wood Tech and an Entrepreneurship Pathway are also offered.

The SBWIB operates four One Stop Business & Careers Centers within the South Bay area providing adult, youth and business services at no cost to the public, plus two Teen Centers in Inglewood and Hawthorne. For more information, please call (310) 970-7700 or visit SBWIB.org.

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Gregory O'Brien, Superintendent of Schools (bottom left) for CVUHSD and Jan Vogel, Executive Director at the SBWIB (bottom right) provide encouraging words to students and businesses attending the event presented by Centinela Valley Union High School District with assistance from the South Bay Workforce Investment Board.

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