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*To inspire each student to
extraordinary achievement
every day*

April 10, 2026

To Staff and Our Twin Rivers Families,

As we move into one of the most important stretches of the school year, it takes all of us to make sure every student feels seen, supported, and ready to finish strong.

Since our return from Spring Break, I've been thinking about how different this part of the year feels depending on where you're sitting. For some students, everything is clicking. They see the finish line and are pushing toward it, checking off assignments, tracking their grades, and counting down the days. For others, the path feels less clear. Assignments pile up, motivation dips, and it's not always obvious how to move forward.

These differences remind us that each student's experience is unique. Grades and deadlines matter, but students build confidence through support in small, day-to-day moments.

Right now, it's easy to focus on grades and everything that still needs to be done, including state testing throughout May. While those things are important, students often make the most progress in smaller moments—one class, one assignment, one conversation at a time. When each step feels manageable, students start to build momentum.

We don't need to solve everything at once. In fact, trying to do that can be overwhelming. Sometimes just checking in, celebrating small wins, or helping students organize their week can make a big difference.

These final eight weeks of school will be busier than usual, but with your encouragement and support, our students can finish the year strong, celebrate their achievements, and approach promotions and graduations with confidence and excitement.

#TRUSD Proud Alert!

Congratulations to our District Classified Employees of the Year! Special recognition goes to **Conor Allison, User Support Analyst in Information and Educational Technology Services, who has been selected as a 2026 Sacramento County Classified School Employee of the Year**—a prestigious honor that recognizes his exceptional dedication, expertise, and impact on our school community.

Conor shares **District Classified Employee of the Year** with these outstanding individuals:

- **Sandra Braff** - Academic Intervention Specialist Bilingual, Keema School for Independent Study
- **Larry Hollins** - Campus Safety Specialist, Martin Luther King Jr. Technology Academy
- **Elizabeth "Beth" Huddleston** - Office Manager, Foothill High School
- **Diane Lunbeck** – Library Media Technician, Ridgepoint Elementary
- **Jason Wayman** – Maintenance Specialist IV – Commercial Electrician, Winona Center East

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We are proud to celebrate their dedication, talent, and hard work. Their contributions make a real difference for our students and our schools every day!

Around TR!

With just eight weeks left in the school year, **Open House** is a great chance to see your child's progress and connect with their teacher. Your involvement makes a difference—let's finish strong! [Open House Schedule for TR Schools](#).

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