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*To inspire each student to
extraordinary achievement
every day*

Oct. 20, 2025

To Staff and Our Twin Rivers Families,

If you're the parent or guardian of one of the **56** Twin Rivers students who were **awarded scholarships and received on-the-spot college acceptances** at this year's Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Recruitment Fair—congratulations! You must be bursting with pride, and we are right there with you. Imagine the excitement your student felt walking away with both a scholarship and a college acceptance in hand. Moments like this are exactly why we do what we do: open doors, create opportunities, and help every student step confidently into their future. **The annual HBCU Recruitment Fair—presented in collaboration with U-CAN (United College Action Network, Inc.)—plays a key role in making these opportunities possible.**

The students represent four of our high schools—Foothill, Grant, Highlands, and Rio Linda—and reflect the talent, perseverance, and potential across our district. Together, they earned scholarships totaling **\$750,222** per year, amounting to **\$2,984,412**. Their accomplishments reflect not only their own dedication but also the guidance of our educators and the constant encouragement of families. For me, this is one of those 'wow' moments—seeing our students' hard work, dreams, and determination come together. As an educator and parent, there's no greater feeling.

The Board of Trustees will formally recognize the students at our October 21 school board meeting, where we'll celebrate their achievements with the community.

These successes are a reminder of the remarkable potential within every TR student. Whether in the classroom, in extracurricular activities, or through community engagement, our students are stepping up, chasing their dreams, and making their mark. I hope all of you are inspired to keep aiming higher and believing in what's possible.

2025 California Honor Roll

We're proud to share that three Twin Rivers elementary schools—**Foothill Oaks, Regency Park, and Ridgepoint**—were named to the **2025 California Honor Roll** by Educational Results Partnership (ERP). This distinction recognizes schools and districts helping students of all backgrounds achieve at higher levels, based on three years of CAASPP results in English Language Arts and math. The honor highlights sustained growth, strong achievement, and progress in closing achievement gaps, and is the only award given in collaboration with state and local business leaders—an incredible recognition of the hard work of our students, staff, and families.

#TRUSD Proud Alert!

Congratulations to the TR students who received **on-the-spot admissions and scholarships** at the HBCU Recruitment Fair:

- **Foothill** – Aniya Bell, Eshyah Henley, Tomari Harris, and Xavier Torres.

- **Grant-** Aaliyah Palomar, Abigail Lo, Aryana Rushing, Asantae Johnson, Auzarye Tyes, Bethelhem Megersa, Breahn Flood, Brianna Barrows, Camila Resendiz Botello, Cheyenne Hightower, Chloe Thao, Cornesha Lora, Darenee Jenkins, Faeth Lain, Giovanni Ceron, Izaiah Hudson, Jacoby James, Jada Ardoin, Jalani Johnson, James Johnson, Jasmine Khataavong, Jeraline Vongvirath, Jonathan Hunter, Jose Romero, Josiah Bonds, Kayla Vang, Keishaun King, Kimora Moore, Lynn Reed, Malachi Harris, Nortessa Gutierrez, Penelope Cerna Lomeli, Perseffony Filiafa, Reggana Darrett, Ruby Eunice, Samara Holland-Guevara, Samuel Williams, Shylee Vang, and Tai'Afa Tupa'i.
- **Highlands –** Katerin Landaverde Deras, Naomi Olguin, Yadira Aguirre Pimentel, **Alicia Pallen, Samiya Uthman, Saryssa Felton, and Jaxson Johnson.**
- **Rio Linda High –** Athena Howell, Brooklyn Mountjoy, Isabella Hernandez, Isabella Murray, Martisa Alcaraz, and Valentin Rodriguez.

Feeling thankful and proud!

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Steve Martinez".

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