

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS NEWSLETTER

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EL CENTRO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Community Schools kicked off the year with several inspiring events! The Community Schools Onboarding Meeting brought together new Cohort 4 grantees and Cohort 3 teams—including principals, Case Managers, Community Service Assistants, and other key staff—to align on goals, clarify roles, and strengthen collaboration for the year ahead.



At Back to School Night in the El Centro Elementary School District, families joined Case Managers and Community Service Assistants in an interactive activity where students and parents shared their goals and hopes for the school year on colorful sticky notes, fostering engagement and connection. Lastly, a Junior High Guest Speaker Assembly featured Coach Al, who motivated students to dream big, stay focused, and believe in themselves—reminding them that perseverance and positive action can turn their goals into reality.



HOLTVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Holtville High School and Finley Elementary partnered with Imperial County Behavioral Health Services' Positive Engagement Team (PET) Program to promote mental health awareness. The program features trained therapy dogs that help create positive, stress-reducing interactions and encourage open conversations about mental health.



Through these visits, students connect with Behavioral Health staff, learn about available resources, and build a greater understanding of emotional well-being. This collaboration continues to foster a supportive and caring school community.

