# Parent/Guardian Newsletter

Issue 11

## We are at the bottom of the ninth.....

....and all bases are loaded. A home run is in the cards for us. In a few short hours, our lovely freshmen will be done with their first year of High School and on to the big leagues-SOPHOMORES! Although we had a few outs, and some fly balls, we had far more doubles, triples and a full and



eager dugout ready to hit the next home run. We are happy we were able to watch our team grow and become stronger as the game went on.

It takes a whole team to win, so thank you for all of your efforts in ensuring your student was successful.

Here are a few reminders for this summer as well for some awesome opportunities for this coming year.



# 2019 Summer School

Helix Summer School: Helix's Summer School <u>begins on Monday</u>, <u>June 10 and ends on Friday</u>, <u>June 28</u>. Classes begin promptly at <u>8:00am and end at 11:15am</u>. Tutorials are held from 11:15-12:15 for those needing assistance. Students assigned to summer school have already been informed and simply just have to show up on June 10th. We have sent a tentative schedule to all students who will be attending Helix Summer School. There will also be rosters on the attendance office windows in case they lose the schedule they were given.

# FREE CSU College Night

Can you believe all the CSU colleges will be under one roof this coming school year?!?! Such an amazing idea. Please take the time to participate in this FREE College event on September 16th, 2019

from 6:00-8:00 pm at the San Diego Convention Center. Parking is \$15-\$25 for the day, or you can use the Trolley (MTS) for just \$5. For more information, please view the flyers below.

10703 College Night Flyers ...





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### Achieve 3000

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Just because its summer time doesn't mean we should stop reading. Encourage your students to read over the summer using their chromebook.



Please read the letter from Stuart Udell, CEO of Achieve 3000 and view the attached information below.

Hello! I am writing to share your custom infographic report showcasing your students' literacy success this school year at Helix Charter High School. This report offers a high-level visual of your students' achievements so that you can celebrate their accomplishments. Next week, I'll follow up with your Executive Summary Report for a more in-depth view of student performance.

As you'll see in the attachment, your students made significant progress on the path to college and career readiness. You can ensure that students continue building on these successes with their summer home access, available to them with your commitment to partner with us in 2019-2020. I'm also excited about <u>all that we're adding</u> to further build on that growth!

Please let me know if you have any questions about your students' data, summer home access, or if you'd like more information about how we're upgrading for 2019-2020.

Thank you for your partnership!

Stuart Udell, CEO Achieve3000



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#### Career Field Trips this SUMMER

Cuyamaca College will be having a **Career Compass Summer Program July 8th - July 11th**. The Careers that will have a four day camp are Ornamental Culture, Graphic Design, Water Technology, Automotive Technology, Environmental Health & Safety, & Child Development. If you plan on going into any of these field this would look great for colleges & your resume!

Below are the descriptions of each program.

If you would like to attend one of them **please email me back** which one. If we get enough people Aspire will pay for your registration and a bus!

Let me know if you have any questions!!

#### Participate in hands-on workshops

**Ornamental Horticulture:** *Did you know that nursery plants and cut flowers account for 71% of the crops produced in San Diego County? Agriculture has a 1.7 billion dollar impact on our local economy and employs almost 12,000 local residents.* In this workshop, participants become plant pest detectives, learn about the nursery industry by propagating plants and discover what it takes to become an arborist by climbing trees.

**Graphic Design:** Graphic designers in computer and related fields are expected to have job growth of 24 to 26 percent in the next few years. Did you know Graphic Designers with universal design experience have increased job opportunities of up to 30% more than other related design fields? The web is coming alive, with animations, subtle movements, and videos becoming an evergrowing part of modern web design. We will cover design, development and implementation of web-based animation using basic coding techniques. Students will create common web animation projects such as advertisements and web interfaces. **Water Technology:** The availability of water will continue to matter to human existence. 1,500 high-paying jobs will be available in the next few years and there are not enough trained professionals to fill those jobs. Engage in water operations activities at a water training facility that is on the leading edge in training next generation

professionals and while being exposed to the various career pathways in water and wastewater.

**Automotive Technology:** Careers in the automotive industry are not limited to fixing cars. Every driver needs to know how to maintain their car. In this workshop participants will be taught basic automotive maintenance and repair while learning about various career options in the automotive field.

**Environmental Health & Safety:** *Entry level EHS Technicians work in a variety of settings ensuring the safety of workers, the environment and the general public.* In this workshop, students will learn about chemicals that are hazardous to people and the environment and will participate in a simulated decontamination scenario.

**Child Development:** Opportunities in child development are expected to grow faster than average. Increases in legislation intended to improve the quality of education have improved the outlook for preschool teachers. In this workshop participants will work in partnership with college students to engage small groups of preschoolers in games and academic activities. Connect with industry professionals

All workshops are taught by industry professionals. Hear from community college alumni currently working in the field during our career round table. Network with professionals and faculty during

lunch on the last day – get your questions answered! Uncover potential career directions

During the program, participants will take the StrengthsFinder assessment. A certified StrengthsFinder coach will conduct a workshop on understanding your strengths and how to leverage them in potential careers.

Learn about the certificates and two-year degrees that lead directly into careers

Participants will receive materials outlining potential careers, labor market information, community college program information and next steps. Parents and students interested in taking campus tours or speaking to college counselors will have an opportunity to do so. During the school year college staff will periodically provide information to students about programing and events, including the Promise Program.

#### Follow us on Social Media

Make sure to follow us on Social Media this upcoming year. We always have exciting information to share about our school and your students.





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# Helix ERP Recognition

Dear Parents, Students, and Staff,

On behalf of the Helix school community, I want to congratulate our students and entire staff! Our school was recently recognized as a 2018 - 2019 Educational Results Partnership (ERP) Honor Roll School for our high achievement in student success. The ERP Honor Roll program,

sponsored by the Campaign for Business and Education Excellence (CBEE), is part of a national effort to identify higher-performing schools and districts that are improving student outcomes.



The 2018 - 2019 ERP Honor Roll utilizes public school student achievement data to identify successful schools and districts. Our school stands above others in the state because of our demonstrated ability to get students to grade-level achievement and beyond. Schools that receive the ERP Honor Roll distinction have demonstrated consistent high levels of student academic achievement, improvement in achievement levels over time and a reduction in achievement gaps among student populations.

Through national research, ERP has identified a common set of success factors in higher-performing Honor Roll schools and districts. The work of the Helix staff is focused on these success factors that include clear, specific learning objectives aligned to college and career readiness, along with:

- $\cdot$  Evidence-based instructional practices
- $\cdot$  A defined system-wide mission of college and career readiness for all students
- $\cdot$  An investment in human capital
- $\cdot$  Maintenance of data and assessment systems to monitor school and student performance
- $\cdot$  Resources and guidance to support schools' efforts in preparing all students for college and career

We did not apply for this award. Our results led them to us! Because of our accomplishment, we will be featured on the ERP Honor Roll website at <u>www.edresults.org</u>. To view our school's data, please open the hyperlink, scroll to the bottom of the page, click on the "View Honor Roll Data" bar, and then filter by county (San Diego) and school (Helix High).

We are thankful for the hard work of our students, teachers, and staff here at Helix Charter High School. This recognition is a testament to the sustained focus on academic results and commitment to student success that our school and community have shown over the years.

Again, congratulations and let's keep up the great work!

Sincerely,

Kevin Osborn Executive Director Helix Charter High School 619-644-1940 Ext. 111 or 112 <u>kosborn@helixcharter.net</u>

At Helix, our **Main Purpose** is to provide students with powerful learning experiences that help them gain the knowledge, skills, and insights that enable our students to make connections that transform their relationship to self, others, and the world!

Our **Mission** is to provide a comprehensive education that prepares all students to graduate collegeready and equipped to reach their personal and academic potential. Our **Vision** is that in a college preparatory environment, Helix strives to close the achievement gap through effective collaboration and innovation.

Charter = Autonomy + Effective Collaboration + Innovation + Choice + Accountability = Results



# 2019 Before and After School Parent Quality + Impact Survey

Please take a few minutes of your time to help us complete our Before and After School Parent Quality & Impact Survey. Your efforts in completing our survey will help us be better at what we do at Helix.

To complete the survey, please click on the active link.

# BBB Ethical Torch Essay Awarding \$5,000 in Scholarships to High School Students

Students in graduating classes 2020-2023 are invited to submit their one page essay for a chance at winning a **\$1,500 scholarship!** Students will submit essays on "The Importance of Ethics and Integrity in our Community" as part of the **BBB Ethical Torch Essay Scholarship** for a chance at receiving one of ten scholarships to apply towards college tuition and expenses.

#### **Scholarship Prizes**

- 1st Place- \$1,500
- 2nd Place \$1,250
- 3rd Place \$1,000
- 4th Place \$750
- 5th Place \$500

To apply, click on the button below! Make sure your students apply TODAY!

#### BBB Ethical Torch Essay Scholarship

# **College Planning**

If you would like some individual planning to help you and/or your student with any of the following, sign up to meet with Mrs. Trevino by using the link below.

- Choosing the right college
- Entrance requirements for college
- Paying for college
- Reach, Match and Safe College Choices

Make a College Planning Appointment with Mrs. Trevino

