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Of course, this is an election year, and UACT will be presenting you with news and information regarding several CTA-supported ballot propositions and school board elections for our district as well as surrounding districts. Please be on the lookout for such information and consider participating when we reach out to you for your support and participation.

President's Message

Welcome back, UACT members! My name is Randy Smith and I am proud to be the new president of your local teachers association. I have been with CVUSD since 2000 teaching at Banyan Elementary, Sycamore Canyon School, and Sequoia Middle School. As a UACT member, I started out as a site rep at



Banyan and have since been a member of the negotiations and communications teams, middle school rep to the executive board member, representative at Budget committee, and vice president. As members, we have all helped UACT grow over the past years and have made big strides in improving our physical and digital presence, our working conditions, and the learning conditions for our students, and as UACT we will advocate for our students, teachers, schools, and community.

Coffee on UACT



As part of our welcome back, UACT would like to buy you a coffee and pastry at one of our upcoming "Coffee on UACT" mornings. We will be at Conejo Coffee in Newbury Park on August 31, Bean Crazy in Thousand Oaks on September 7, and the Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf in Westlake at the

Westlake Plaza on September 14.

Just bring proof that you're a teacher (i.e. an old/new school ID or CTA membership card) and UACT will buy you something to fuel your return to school. Sorry, but we cannot afford to pay for family and friends.

Reimbursements

Just a reminder that in order to be reimbursed by the District for any school expenses (purchases, mileage, travels, meals, etc.) you incur between July 1 and September 30, know that you must have your claim submitted by November 15. Be on the lookout for an email coming from Maria Odell in Fiscal Services which will detail all of the dates for this year. Your school's office manager should certainly be able to help you with the process so that you can get back any money you spent getting materials and such for the new school year back into your pocket.

Sometime in the coming weeks I will be coming by your school at lunch to meet with you, share a little about what is going on around us, and do a lot of listening to anything you have to share (questions, concerns, celebrations, etc.) Your UACT site rep has the date, so please ask him/her so you can get it on your calendar. As always, UACT will be providing sandwiches, chips, and water. I strongly encourage you to attend.



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