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Showcase 2020

April 30, 2020 at 4:30 - 7:30 pm
Tri County Fairgrounds

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Important links:

[Website](#)

[Teacher Handbook](#)

[Intent to Participate](#)
Submit by:
January 31, 2020

This year's countywide science event is an opportunity for students to display their questions, exploration, learning, and appreciation of the world around them. The showcase theme is **Cause and Effect** and was selected directly from the NGSS Cross Cutting Concepts. Our goal is to showcase education and hands on learning already occurring in our schools, as well as recognize the achievement and efforts of students in STEAM.

Teachers are an integral part in planning for this event. Using activities already occurring in your curriculum, or expanding on topics covered in your classrooms, we ask that teachers work with students to plan and prepare their projects.

Projects can be individual, small group or whole class displays that include:

- Traditional science fair backboard
- Performance / live demonstration
- Digital display
- Physical display (2D or 2D)

Projects can also be a combination of two or more of the formats listed above.

Project categories include:

- Invention / Engineering
- Robotics & Computer Science
- Environmental / Agricultural Innovation
- Scientific inquiry
- Create STEAM

[Click here](#) for category descriptions.

All projects must be registered by the teacher of the student(s) wishing to participate. There is not a limit to the number of projects that can be submitted, however, we do request that you are mindful of your selections that continue to the showcase. A [rubric](#) was created to screen and select projects.

For this inaugural year, projects will not be judged or continue to a state competition. The hope is to showcase 21st century educational goals and that this inquisitive mindset will inspire a passion for learning long into the future.

We welcome the opportunity to meet with your staff to present more information about this event. Some questions may be answered on our FAQ page [here](#), and we encourage feedback at anytime!

Scholarship Opportunities for Inyo County Teachers & Administrators

Thinking about adding an additional authorization to your credential? Working towards an administrative services credential? This is the scholarship for you! Scholarships are funded through the Inyo/Mono Consortium award of the California Education Development (CalED) Program Grant. One goal of the CalED program is to increase administrative and high-need teaching authorizations in California by offering tuition or testing fee assistance.

For the teacher scholarship, if you have taken a California Subject Examination for Teachers (CSET) or additional coursework towards a bilingual education, special education, math or science credential from July 1, 2017 to the present, you may [apply](#) for a scholarship. Documentation and a completed W9 is required in order to receive the reimbursement

For the administrator scholarship, if you have taken or will take the California Preliminary Administrative Credential Examination (CPACE), or have incurred costs associated with taking coursework or a clear administrative services credential program from July 1, 2017 to the present, you may [apply](#) for a scholarship. Again, documentation and a completed W9 is required in order to receive the reimbursement.

Applications will be accepted until March 30, 2020. Preference will be given to those who have already expended fees within the grant timeline (July 1, 2017 – present), are currently employed in Inyo county school districts and then on a first come, first served basis until grant funds are expended. For more information, please contact Ilissa at itwomey@inyocoe.org or ext. 2197.



Social Emotional Development in TK/Kinder Classroom

Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 8:00am - 3:30pm
Inyo County Office of Education, GLCC

Register here: <https://inyo.k12oms.org/1414-179640>

Dive into newly updated training that will look at social emotional development in the TK classroom, with a focus on the self and social interaction strands. Discover research based strategies and ideas you can use immediately. For a full description of the training, visit this [link](#).

If you have questions please contact Hailey Thomas at hthomas@inyocoe.org or call 870-5123 x2121



8th Grade UNR and Nevada Museum of Art



150 8th-grade students from Inyo County were able to visit UNR this fall. Students met with professors and college students, they learned about various pathways and different career choices, and they enjoyed the experience of preparing for their futures alongside their peers. At UNR, students were able to attend a volleyball game, see a film at the Fleischmann Planetarium, get "hands-on" with robots and drones in the engineering labs, and more!

New to this year, thanks to an Arts Education Exposure grant from California Arts Council and Inyo Council for the Arts, most of our students were also able to tour the Nevada Museum of Art in Reno. Upon returning from the university, students described their experience:

"I now know that I can go to college close to home and make new friends. I can see myself attending there."

"It was fun to see what it might be like in the future and it gave me a look at what college life is like."

Additionally, students reflected on their experiences and stated the following as some of their goals and dreams for the future:

"I would like to attend college, my goal is to be a nurse. The trips were extremely helpful for me."

"I see myself continuing education after high school. My goal is to graduate high school and college. Another goal is to get a good job and have a family. The UNR trip was really helpful."

Save the Date!

SPELLING BEE

FEBRUARY 12, 2020

4th—8th Grades

Jill Kinmont Boothe School

POETRY OUT LOUD

FEBRUARY 5, 2020

9th-12th Grades

Inyo Council for the Arts

SPEECH CONTEST

MARCH 12, 2020

6th-8th Grades

Jill Kinmont Boothe School

COLLEGE AND CAREER DAY

APRIL 7, 2020

5th Grade

Cerro Coso College, Bishop

STEAM SHOWCASE

APRIL 30, 2020

4:30 - 7:30PM

K-12th Grades

Tri-County Fairgrounds

10th Annual

INSPIRING
STUDENTS



POETRY
OUT LOUD

2020

Inyo County Poetry Recitation Contest

February 5, 2020 at 6pm, Inyo Council for the Arts, 137 S. Main St, Bishop, CA

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Christmas Matinee Series

Over the holidays, the Inyo County Office of Education and the Bishop Twin Theatre partnered and offered a "free to all" holiday matinee series. Santa was also seen greeting kids and families on December 23rd for one last visit before his busy night. It was a great outreach event for our community and we hope to do it again next year. We'd especially like to thank Holly, Larry, and staff at the Bishop Twin Theatre for making this happen.



Thanks for reading!



Last year we raffled off two Spellbinder gift cards to celebrate the holiday season.

The two lucky recipients were:

Brandy Rost & Melinda Dardenne-Ankringa

Keep an eye out for giveaways in upcoming newsletters. Thanks for all that you do and Happy New Year!