



ENDEAVOR EXPLORERS

Personalized Learning
Public Charter School

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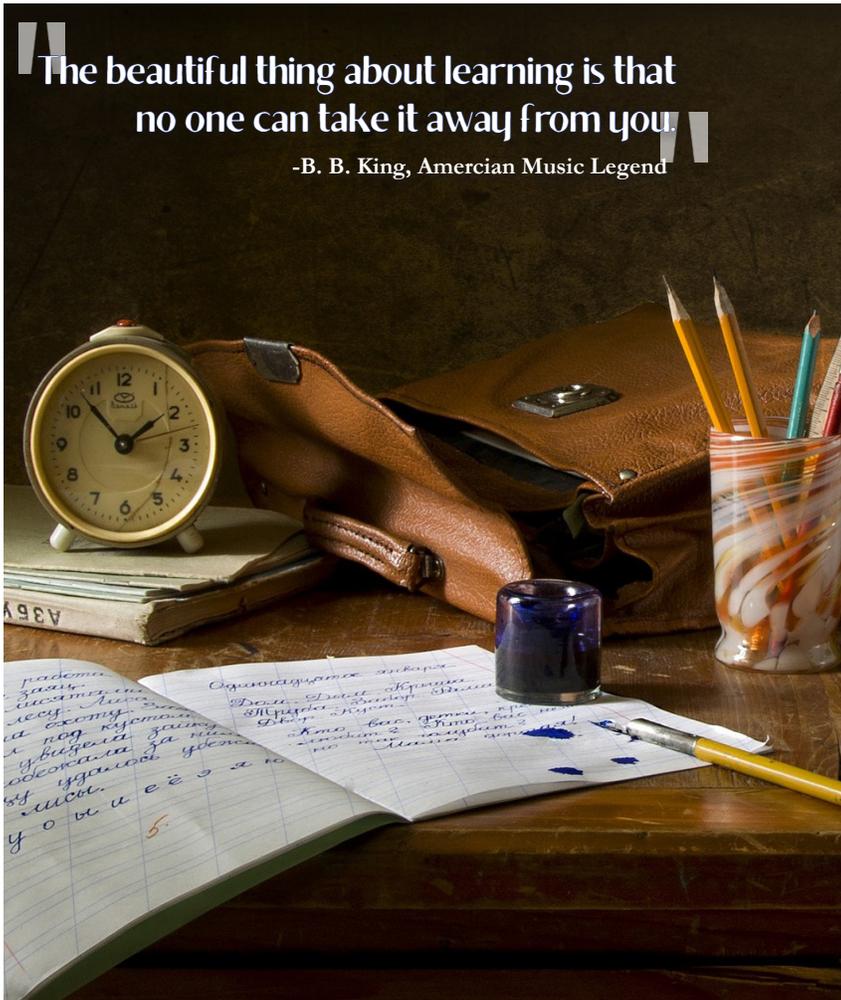
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NEWSLETTER

February 2022

The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you.

-B. B. King, American Music Legend



MARK YOUR CALENDAR Important Dates

FEBRUARY

- Feb. 2 • Intent to Return forms sent out
- Feb. 3 • Endeavor CharterTalk
- Feb. 4 • ASVAB Test 10:00 (11th/12th grade students)
• China Peak payment deadline
- Feb. 8 • Board Meeting
- Feb. 11 • Senior Community College Application Workshop @ 10am
- Feb. 14-18 • President's Week Break
- Feb. 17 • China Peak Ski Day
- Feb. 18 • Attendance #7 due
- Feb. 22 • Intent to Return forms due
- Feb. 25 • Library Visit
• Deadline for Scholastic Book Orders

MARCH

- Mar. 3 • Deadline for Photography Contest
- Mar. 4 • Endeavor CharterTalk
- Mar. 8 • WSCS Board Meeting
- Mar. 14-16 • 8th Grade Catalina trip
- Mar. 14-18 • PE Testing Grades 5, 7 and 9
- Mar. 18 • Attendance #8 Due
- Mar. 19 • Prom (open to all High School students)
- Mar. 25 • Library Visit
- Mar. 28-April 1 • TK-8th Grade Curriculum Fair

PUBLIC NOTICE

WSCS BOARD MEETING

February 8 and March 8 at 2:00 p.m.

This meeting will be by teleconference pursuant to Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20.

[CLICK HERE](#)
for more information



ENDEAVOR CHARTER SCHOOL

Deadline to order...

For books to be delivered in **March**, orders must be received by **February 25th**

 SCHOLASTIC

"As the largest children's book publisher in the world, Scholastic is entrusted with the promotion of literacy through books for millions of kids of all ages and reading levels. Our mission is built on helping children learn to read and love to read."
-Scholastic Mission Statement

Book Clubs

ONLINE ONLY

Scholastic Book Club is now available for all TK-12 Students at Endeavor Charter School!

Find books for less than \$2.00!

- Type in "book" in the search bar at the top of the page
- A filter will appear on the left-hand side bar
- Click the drop-down menu for "Price" and click the box with \$1 to \$2
- All books less than \$2.00 will appear!

Shipping Options:

- Spend \$1.00 - \$24.00: Free shipping to our school or \$6.50 shipping directly to your home
- Spend \$25.00 or More: Free shipping directly to your home

How to Order:

- Go to: clubs.scholastic.com
- Click on CONNECT TO TEACHER >
- Enter 5-Digit Class Code: RDYRJ
- You should now see TEACHER'S NAME: Nancy Turner and NAME OF SCHOOL: ENDEAVOR CHARTER SCHOOL
- Click CREATE AN ACCOUNT
- Type in your information and click CONTINUE
- You are now linked to Endeavor Charter School and you can start shopping!

If you have questions, contact Nancy Turner at nturner@wscsfamily.org or #248-0471 extension 217.

As per Scholastic, at this time only online orders will be accepted with SHIP TO SCHOOL:

WE KNOW YOU ARE EAGERLY AWAITING YOUR ORDER! We are so sorry for the delay, but COVID-related disruptions in the global supply chain and labor shortages are hitting Scholastic Book Clubs very hard.



Let's Get Ready for High School!

**ENDEAVOR CHARTER TALK
FEBRUARY 3, 12:00-12:30PM**

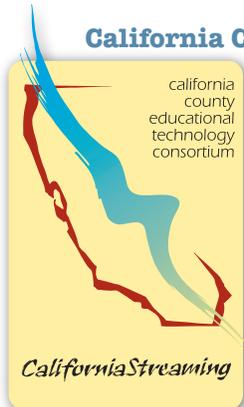
LEARN SIMPLE STEPS TO PREPARE
YOURSELF AND YOUR 5th-8th GRADE
STUDENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL

facilitated by Diane Vaccaro
(TK-8 Advising Teacher and High School
Leadership teacher)

Watch Parent Square for Zoom
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California County Educational Technology Consortium (CCETC) Call for Entries



CaliforniaStreaming Digital Photography Contest

CCETC invites California K-12 teachers to submit teacher and student-produced digital photographs with a supporting essay relating to the 2022 contest theme:

“RESILIENCE”

**Submission Deadline:
Friday, March 4, 2022**

CaliforniaStreaming, a collaborative non-commercial service offering the highest quality multimedia from video to images, is available through most California County Offices of Education and to all California schools. CCETC invites you to join the ever-growing community of classroom multimedia enthusiasts!

For guidelines, resources, and submission information, go to:

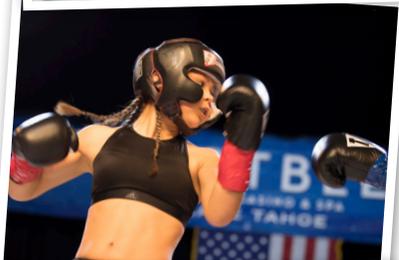
<http://ccetc.net/photocontest>

Inspire • Empower • Transform –

that is the focus of CCETC’s CaliforniaStreaming community! Photography contest judges will select eight winners – at least six K-12 students and up to two teacher winners. Each winner receives a digital video camera!



Winners will have their photographs incorporated into a collectable CaliforniaStreaming art poster to be distributed to California classrooms. All participants will receive a certificate of participation. Submitted photographs may be made available through CaliforniaStreaming under a Creative Commons license.



2022 Photo Contest Theme “RESILIENCE”

RESILIENCE is the capacity to recover quickly and/or spring back into shape. Capture your interpretation of this year’s theme! Each photo entry should be accompanied by a brief essay, a poem, or expanded caption. Writing should help connect the image to the theme of RESILIENCE – your words are important to create context to the theme and the photograph for the judges.
Good luck and happy photographing!

www.ccetc.net • CaliforniaStreaming.org • Email: CaliforniaStreaming@gmail.com



ENDEAVOR CharterTalk

"Parent workshops for busy families."

REMINDER:

All previous Endeavor CharterTalks are available on this Google Drive:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1AV6Mp-C0D7J96HsWchUGKlzZw8bnaaGw?usp=sharing>

You will need to request permission for access.

HELP KEDRYON RECYCLE

Help High School Student, Kedryon Ford Make a Difference in our Community

Kedryon Ford, is setting up donation boxes at school and around town for recyclables such as: cans, bottles, and anything that has the label CRCAV. Kedryon will collect all recyclables to redeem for cash, and all proceeds will support the West Fresno Food Bank.

How to Donate: Drop off recyclables with the CRCAV label in the East Building, near the entrance.

When: Anytime between 1/24/22 through 4/8/22.

Think before
you toss
containers in
the trash!



RESOURCE SHOWCASE

Math Games

by Julie Schiro
TK-8 Advising Teacher

If you didn't attend the January Endeavor CharterTalk, ask your Advising Teacher for the link to view the recording! Our math instructors shared some great ideas to help students use math in everyday life and have fun with it! If you want some instant links to websites with free resources, see below.



Many students struggle with basic math facts. This often affects the rest of their math lessons, as math builds upon the prior lesson. Many of us learned math facts through memorization and flashcards, which still work, but could there be more? I have found that many students thrive when they have a game that utilizes a math skill in practice. This does not mean that you need to go out and buy every math game ever made at the teacher store. There are some great math games that can be played at home with many things that you may already have around the house, such as a deck of cards, dice or dominoes. Playing these games throughout your week and adding them to your math lessons will help your child with basic skills. Here are just a few free resources. Have some fun and join in with them! They may test your math skills as well!



[CLICK HERE](#)
Math Domino Games



[CLICK HERE](#)
Best Math Card Games



[CLICK HERE](#)
The Game that is Worth 1,000 Worksheets



[CLICK HERE](#)
Factor Fun: Math Multiplication Games

THE BREAKROOM

Staff Feature

BY SANDRA HAMMOND



Meet Katelyn Carter!

Title/Role

Student Support Director, TK-12

Family Make-Up

I'm married to my best friend, and together we have parented eight children, six through foster care and adoption. We currently have a 14 year old artist with a heart of gold, a 12 year old theater star who can sing and dance, an 8 year old athlete who can out-pace all of us, and a 6 year old academic who can make friends everywhere he goes. We also have two adorable rescue dogs who have become fierce protectors of our home.

What is your background/education?

My undergraduate training was focused in psychology, epidemiology, and sociology. After graduating with my Bachelor's Degree, I began my Masters in forensic science, on the path to becoming a coroner. I studied subjects within criminalistics such as trace evidence, toxicology, serology and DNA, as well as human anatomy and advanced investigative techniques for the field. My life path changed in 2001 when I had the opportunity to begin a teaching position as a sixth grade teacher at a private school. Working with students in my class who had special needs became a passion, and I ended up changing my career path from forensic science to teaching after going back to school to get credentialed as an Education Specialist.

What does a typical workday for you look like?

On a typical day I work with students one on one or in small groups, help out in enrichment classes to make sure all students have access to learning with all of their different needs, and coordinate with other teaching staff to ensure they themselves have the information they need to best support our students. I also have several meetings daily and a fair share of legal paperwork and reports to complete.

What is the most challenging part of your position?

The hardest part of my position is when I have to reschedule time working with students in order to attend a mandatory meeting for the county or the state. I would much rather use my time to work directly with students.

What do you like best about your career choice?

When a student has a learning "breakthrough" and I get to be there to see it, it is life-giving.

Those are special moments. Also, as a homeschooling mom, and mother of more than one child with special needs myself, I enjoy the ability to support other parents who are walking on this challenging and rewarding path.



What is the first career goal you remember having as a young person?

I have a love for animals, so for many years I thought I would be a veterinarian.

Did you follow any part of that original goal?

Yes, I took some coursework in veterinary medicine and worked as a Vet Technician when I was younger.

Do you have any other interests/pursuits?

I spend a lot of time making memories with my family, and supporting them in the various sports, interests, and performances they are involved in. In my spare time I still utilize my passion and skills in forensic science by volunteering to help a family and private investigator in a missing person's investigation for a college student from Texas. At home, I have a large garden and indoor plant collection that I tend to. I also love to cook, bake, paint, sew, and put together large puzzles. On my list of "next" pursuits is learning to play the piano, and (per my daughter's request), mastering the art of the French braid.

(Photo: Katelyn featured here with her family)

ELEMENTARY



Meet Us at the LIBRARY

- Encourage students to share the love of books through unstructured time at one of our local libraries!
- Connect with other parents of young children!
- Bring a snack and enjoy the outside table area!
- Access a multitude of children's books free of charge!

WHEN: Fridays, 1:30 - 3:00 on the following dates:

October 29 - November 19 - December 3 - January 28 -
February 25 - March 25 - April 29 - May 27

WHERE: The Children's Room

Woodward Park Branch Library
944 E. Perrin, Fresno

- All ages welcome, but geared toward TK-6 students
- Parents/Guardians must be present
- Please complete waiver at front desk in either building or at the library on your first visit with us! (only one waiver necessary for full year)

For more information contact Sandra Hammond at shammond@wscsfamily.org



Well done, all
Spelling Bee
participants!



Spelling Bee!

Endeavor Charter School Spelling Bee 2022

4th-6th Grade Division from left to right:



- Isabella Ganzenhuber-4th
- Anna Avent-6th
- Kennington Leota-6th
- Adam Chugg-5th
- Graham Haussler-4th

1st place winner **Kennington Leota** and 2nd place winner **Anna Avent** will advance to the **Fresno County Spell Off on March 15**

7th-8th Grade Division from left to right:

- Adeline Fouch-7th
- Jovani Pulido-8th
- Lydia Avent-8th
- Jacob Haussler-8th
- Carson Pool-8th

1st place winner **Lydia Avent** and 2nd place winner **Jovani Pulido** will advance to the **Fresno County Spell Off on March 15**



Save the Dates:
Curriculum Fair 2022
March 28 - April 1, East Building

HIGH SCHOOL



COUNSELOR'S CORNER

with Greg Hill

ASVAB

**11th and 12th grade Parents/Students :
ASVAB Test is Friday, February 4th, 10AM
at Endeavor Charter**

What is the ASVAB? The ASVAB Career Exploration Program includes tests and activities that help you identify your interests and provides information about your Verbal Skills, Math Skills, and Science and Technical Skills.

How to sign up?

Email Mr. Hill at ghill@wscsfamily.org

Who administers the ASVAB?

The assessment will be administered by a recruiter for one of the armed services.

Does that mean I will be enlisted in the armed services if I complete the ASVAB?

No.

Will my ASVAB scores be automatically reported to the armed services?

No. Mr. Hill specifically selected the option for student scores NOT to be automatically forwarded to the Department of Defense, but families will have the option to have them forwarded if they would like to since the military is an excellent option for some students.

Why are we so excited that this is available to Endeavor students?

The results include very thorough information about the areas assessed and the students' score; and of course, it provides information about roles in the armed forces where people with certain skill-sets often excel. What might not be expected is the wealth of information about civilian careers that is also included. So, if you are not planning on going into the military, it's still a good test to take!

Who benefits most from the results of this assessment?

We recommend that all juniors and seniors complete the ASVAB.

“Registration to Go” Program for local community college

Seniors interested in attending one of our local community colleges after high school should apply with priority registration through the “Registration To Go” Program:

The State Center Community College District (SCCCD) includes Fresno City College, Oakhurst Center, Madera Community College, Clovis Community and Reedley College.

Local Community College “Registration To Go” Instructions

1. Application was available Oct.1st (Should be submitted) Contact me if you have not finished the application.
2. Online Orientation: November/December (Should be completed)
3. Counseling / Advising Session & Student

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COUNSELOR'S CORNER

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Educational Plan: 4/4/22

SAVE THE DATE! Monday, April 4, 2022: Advising Sessions at Fresno City College

This day is designated for all seniors at local Charter Schools and other Alt Ed Learning sites who want to attend Fresno City College in Summer/Fall 2022. On this day, students will meet with a Counselor for advising and will set up their Student Education Plan (SEP) for first semester courses. **It is required** that all new students meet with a Counselor before they can

register for classes on the **early registration dates of April 26, 27, and 28.**

4. Register for Classes: April 26, 27, 28 if above steps are completed

Fresno State Field Trip opportunity for all high school students 2/23/22

On Wednesday, 2/23/22, students have the opportunity to visit the Downing Planetarium and go on a campus tour. Tour starts at 9:30 AM. More information to come via ParentSquare regarding the deadline to RSVP and other information. Limited Space available due to tour size.

Please email me at ghill@wscsfamily.org if you have any questions about anything!

COACH'S CORNER

Featured Athlete

Sophomore Ryan Shehadey placed 14th at the Rough Rider Invitational, clocking a 13:48.5 in the 3,500m at Woodward Park course.



Clovis North Twilight Invitational proved to be a successful race for each athlete!

There were several Personal Records (PR) for the 2 mile course & other goals met at this event. I was so proud of each one of the athletes.



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COACH'S CORNER



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Kingsburg Invitational

It was a foggy and cold morning at the Kingsburg Gun Club. The course was a 3 mile race, the furthest race some of these athletes had ever run...Bravo!!



“If it doesn’t challenge you, it won’t change you”
-Fred Devito



SAVE THE DATE

Prom 2022

SATURDAY, MARCH 19

OPEN TO ALL

EHS/GHS STUDENTS.

TICKET INFORMATION WILL BE

ANNOUNCED NEAR THE

END OF JANUARY.

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Rosanna Carrasco	222	Receptionist
Julie Schiro	224	TK-8 Advising Teacher
Brandon Mallard	229	Adjunct Teacher/Drama
Brook Hirata	204	TK-8 Advising Teacher
Katelyn Carter	210	Student Support Director
Diane Vaccaro	206	TK-8 Advising Teacher/9-12 Leadership
Grace Reeve	201	9-12 Advising Teacher
Greg Hill	220	Guidance Counselor
Irina Buca	205	9-12 Advising Teacher
Renee Johnson	225	TK-8 Advising Teacher
Margaret Den Hartog	207	TK-8 Advising Teacher
Nancy Flynn	228	Math Adjunct Teacher/Tutor
Nancy Turner	217	TK-8 Advising Teacher/E.L. Coordinator
Phil Blas	218	CTE Teacher/IT Coordinator
Sandra Hammond	215	TK-8 Advising Teacher
Christine Chugg	230	H.S. Math Teacher
Stephanie Ganzenhuber	209	TK-8 Advising Teacher
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