

## Rivercrest Preparatory Online School

# The River Current

## Rivercrest's First Graduation Ceremony!

### Graduation

- **May 29th, 6 p.m.**
- **Tickets needed to attend** (see Ms. Saugstad)
- Graduation practice and senior check-out: **May 28th**



The class of 2015 will graduate on May 29th at 6 p.m. The ceremony will be held at the beautiful California Citrus State Historic Park in Riverside.

Students, parents, and staff are excited about the big day. Lexi Chastain feels the ceremony will be special for her and for everyone at Rivercrest since it is our first one. Maegan Centella said she will remember this moment for the rest of her life. Kaylin Reed is also excited to be a part of Rivercrest's first graduating class. She is 'really pumped about where the ceremony will be held.'

The graduation ceremonies will be held outdoors, with various

dignitaries from the Jurupa School District on hand, including our superintendent, Mr. Elliot Duchon. The Commencement Speaker is the current president of the California School Board Association, Mr. Jesus Holguin. The graduates will be recognized by a member of our own school board, Ms. Donna Johnston.



Some of our seniors offered words of wisdom to the 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students: Mike Smith said, "Do your homework." Maegan Centella said, "Don't slack off! And don't listen to those who say you can't do it!" Lexi Chastain said, "Take high school seriously because doing well opens doors to many opportunities." Kaylin Reed said, "Live it up while you can and study hard. Make the most of these years." Good advice!

## Rivercrest Sophomores are Amazing!

Students and staff alike were happy to learn that our Sophomores did amazingly well on this year's California High School Exit Exam.

83.3% of our students passed the Math exam and 96.6% passed the ELA exam. Woot woot!!!

Ivon Robledo had a perfect score in Math and Alanna Murdock had a perfect score in English (and almost in Math too!).

The following students scored proficient (380) or above in both subjects:

Hunter Bell, Joseph Berariu, Chase Byer, Nicole Kwiatkowski, Delaney Luna, Taylor Martino, Angelique Park, Jakob Ramirez, Ivon Robledo, Cindy Rodriguez, Stephanie Rolon, Evelyn Villegas.

Sinai Sanchez, Alyssa Sitto, and Holly Virgin scored above proficient in English and

Blanca Flores scored above proficient in Math.

Congratulations to all of our awesome 10th graders. We are very, very proud of you!



## Little Tokyo Field Trip was a Blast!



Mario Barrera and Bethany Sandoval at the Go For Broke Monument

The Anime Club sponsored a field trip to Little Tokyo in Los Angeles on April 8th. Students and staff chaperones, including Ms. Mosqueda and Ms. Victoria, enjoyed learning about Japanese-American

history, seeing the Hello Kitty exhibit, and eating Japanese food.

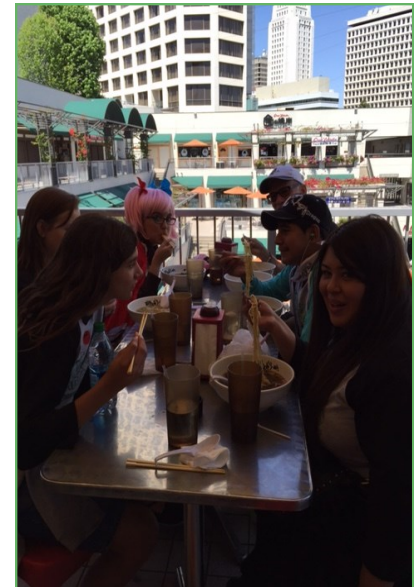
Students were able to shop in the

various stores for unique souvenirs and tasty treats such as gummy candy. Cody Oliva bought an octopus tentacle to try!

Dillon Slater, Bethany Sandoval, Mario Barrera, Daniela Jaime, and Catera McCain ate tons of noodles with Mr. Cushing and Ms. Cortez.

AND we got to ride on the train!

All in all, a fun day!



## Summer Plans

**When asked what their summer plans are, Rivercrest students gave a variety of answers:**

Dakota Soule and his buddy, Chase Byer, have contracted to do some yardwork to earn money for their summer adventures.

The first thing Allyn Yeske plans to do is to catch up on his sleep.

Kaylin Reed is going to look for a job and prepare to go in the Marines.

Nikky Espinoza is conducting personal research on why babies are fat. He also hopes to get a job.

Sabrina Smith is going to rest and prepare for a new baby.

Ms. Wigg is going to take a long vacation to Pennsylvania to visit her grandkids, but then she has to come back to work.

Ms. Saugstad also has to work this summer to get things ready for next year, but will go on a family camping trip at a mountain lake and take her daughter to Washington for softball.

George Kantner plans to play some golf and hang out with friends.

Drake Shurkin and Gianni Hewit are both hoping to just relax and hang out.



Catera McCain is going to head up to Apple Valley to spend time with family.

Jasmine Briones wants to go to soccer camp at Rubidoux to keep her skills up and also plans to go to Mexico.

Ms. Cortez is going kayaking and on a mini cruise, and plans to learn to make cheese.

Tehya Silva has several river trips planned with her family's pontoon boat.

Alanna Murdock is going to do some running to prepare for cross-country and gets to go to Maui in July. Lucky!!!

Whatever your plans are, be safe. We want to see you next year.

*Learn something new.  
That is never a waste of time.*

# QUESTIONS by Maegan Centella

Students answer the question, "What is on your mind?"

## A Day of Questions:

*Nikky Espinoza:* Why don't people get along?

*Elise Flores:* Will society ever be able to break away from discrimination?

*Sabrina Smith:* Why do people see other people as different?

*Alex Scorza:* What determines what is morally right and wrong?

*Alexandria Chastain:* How were languages developed?

*Cindy Rodriguez:* Will the world ever run out of water?

*Maegan Centella:* Why do people lie?

*Jakob Ramirez:* Why don't animals talk?

*Amy Rodriguez:* Why do we speak different languages?

*Savannah Reddin:* What's your biggest regret in life? If you could take it back, what would you do instead?

### Why do people lie?

People lie for many different reasons: to get what they want, to hurt someone else, or even to protect other peoples' feelings. Everyone lies at some point in their lives; some more than others. Unfortunately, we can't stop or avoid lies, but we can figure out ways to determine when we are being lied

to. The only way to truly believe someone is if they have proven themselves, time after time again, as a trustworthy person. Once the amount of lies a person can handle is surpassed, they feel as if they can no longer trust anyone but themselves. Even if most of the lies that had been said to them were to protect them, there's still a sense of betrayal there...so why people lie is beyond me.



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Yearbooks will be handed out Thursday, May 21st!

## TreeRing

### Feeling left out?

Fear not! Your yearbook is available for order at anytime, so if you're regretting the decision not to order the yearbook, you still can. We'll even deliver it straight to your house.

To buy your yearbook visit [www.treering.com/noregrets](http://www.treering.com/noregrets)



### *Changes are coming to Rivercrest...*

You may have noticed all the trucks and workmen hammering and spraying around campus. They are rehabbing the two portables in the back because next year we are opening a middle school, grades 7 and 8!

Class times and schedules for high school students will also change. More information will be coming soon so stay tuned!

There is no reason to be **BORED** during the summer!



A multitude of activities are available through the local **Jurupa Valley Park and Recreation**.

Check out their website:  
<http://www.jcsd.us/services/parks-and-recreation>

**The Cove Waterpark** will be open and one of our own students, Alex Lobner, will be lifeguarding. Here is their website:  
<http://www.covewaterpark.org/>

If you live in **Riverside**, there are tons of classes and fun things to do:  
[https://www.riversideca.gov/park\\_rec/activityguide/](https://www.riversideca.gov/park_rec/activityguide/)

Of course, we have many **beaches** within an hour's drive! Pack the cooler, the sunblock, and tunes, and hit the waves!



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