



Whittier Union HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

To Achieve and Maintain Excellence...

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Whittier Union to Celebrate Class of 2022 Graduates with Stadium Commencement Ceremonies

WHAT: Students from the Whittier Union High School District's five comprehensive high schools, two alternative high schools and adult school will celebrate the conclusion of their academic journeys in the District during stadium commencement ceremonies. Ceremonies will be held at full capacity at the District's two stadiums.

This year, the Whittier Union Board of Trustees will honor a group of students from each comprehensive high school with the 2022 Trustee Award. Honorees were recommended by principals, counselors and teachers for outstanding academic achievement and demonstrating exemplary citizenship during their four years of high school.

DETAILS: **Sierra Vista High School, Frontier High School and Whittier Union Adult School**

When: 6 p.m., Tuesday, May 31

Where: Sandra Sanchez Thorstenson Stadium, 9800 Mills Ave., Whittier

Details: 250 Sierra Vista graduates; 140 Frontier graduates; 80 Adult School graduates.

Santa Fe High School

When: 6 p.m., Tuesday, May 31

Where: Dick Torres Memorial Stadium, 10800 Benavon St., Whittier

Details: 463 graduates; 13 Summa Cum Laude honors. The Board of Trustees Award winner is Rebecca Bello (University of California, Davis – biology major).

California High School

When: 6 p.m., Wednesday, June 1

Where: Sandra Sanchez Thorstenson Stadium, 9800 Mills Ave., Whittier

Details: 600 graduates; 40 Summa Cum Laude honors. The Board of Trustees Award winner is Justin Toyoshiba (California State University, Long Beach – film major).

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Pioneer High School

When: 6 p.m., Wednesday, June 1

Where: Dick Torres Memorial Stadium, 10800 Benavon St., Whittier

Details: 257 graduates; 8 Summa Cum Laude honors. The Board of Trustees Award winner is Melanie Zepeda (University of California, Irvine – psychological science major).

Whittier High School

When: 6 p.m., Thursday, June 2

Where: Dick Torres Memorial Stadium, 10800 Benavon St., Whittier

Details: 399 graduates; 10 Summa Cum Laude honors. The Board of Trustees Award winner is Hannah Ramirez (California State University, Long Beach – nursing).

La Serna High School

When: 6 p.m., Thursday, June 2

Where: Sandra Sanchez Thorstenson Stadium, 9800 Mills Ave., Whittier

Details: 572 graduates; 20 Summa Cum Laude honors. The Board of Trustee Award winners are Ryan Anderson (University of California, Los Angeles – political science), and Carla Rached (University of California, Los Angeles – psychobiology/pre-medicine).

Coverage of this event is welcome and greatly appreciated.

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