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Bonita Unified Recognized for Second Time as Inland Empire Top Workplace

LA VERNE/SAN DIMAS - For the second year in a row, the Inland Valley News Group has named Bonita Unified one of 2020's Top Workplaces in the Inland Empire.

"To receive such an overwhelming amount of positive feedback from our 1,100 employees means so much to our District, especially during a time when every single one of us had to adapt to a new way of doing things. It speaks volumes about the grit and determination of our community," Superintendent Carl J. Coles said. "Bonita Unified is grateful for the hard work of our educators, classified members and staff who continue to go above and beyond every single day for our students. They are all incredible, and they are all truly deserving of this recognition."

The Inland News Group's list is based on employee feedback gathered through a third-party survey administered by employee engagement technology partner Energage. The surveys were distributed to all 13 Bonita Unified schools and the District office, asking employees about workplace culture, if their jobs exceeded expectations, if they would recommend their workplace to potential employees, why they love their jobs and how their employer could improve the workplace environment.

District employees responded, generating thousands of comments that speak to the positive culture at Bonita Unified. Some of the recurring themes in the survey appeared in the form of words many used to describe the District - "family," "supportive," "collaborative" and "community."

"Bonita Unified is an incredible District full of highly driven, motivated and caring people who work hard every single day to make this organization a truly great place to learn and work," Board of Education President Chuck Coyne said. "Being recognized as a 2020 Top Workplace is humbling and encouraging, and we hope to continue this trend in the coming years."

"With all of the challenges that 2020 presented to school districts, Bonita Unified truly came together as a community of professionals dedicated to the education of students, and it's wonderful to see the District be recognized as a Top Workplace for a second consecutive year," Bonita Unified Teachers Association President Nicole Grant said. "On behalf of our members, thank you to BUSD for always supporting us in ways that allow us to do our part to promote success for all students."

"We are excited to see Bonita Unified recognized as a Top Workplace in 2020," California School Employees Association Bonita Chapter President Don Roberts said. "It is a testimony to the commitment of the District's classified employees and the energy, commitment and care that they bring every single day to their workplace - thank you to all of our colleagues, to our PTA and the support of our community."