



## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## El Monte Union to Name Rosemead High's Performing Arts Center After Alumna Vikki Carr

WHAT:

The El Monte Union High School District (EMUHSD) will celebrate the grand dedication of the Vikki Carr Performing Arts Center at the historic Rosemead High School auditorium. The school's modernization project will also add a new look to the building, including a new exterior plaza, auditorium access, doors, landscaping, exterior paint, a remodeled lobby, restroom upgrades, interior finishes, and improved audio and lighting.

Carr, a 1958 alumna of RHS, has enjoyed a prolific six decades in music. With top hits in English and Spanish, Carr has won four Grammy Awards, released more than 60 best-selling recordings, and will be in attendance, along with members of her family, local dignitaries, school officials, students, and community members for the momentous occasion.

- WHEN: 5 p.m., Wednesday, July 31
- WHERE: Rosemead High School 9063 Mission Dr., El Monte
- **DETAILS:** In 2022, the El Monte Union Board of Trustees invited community members to participate in an online survey to gather input on renaming Rosemead High's auditorium. Carr, a pioneering Mexican-American singer, established the Vikki Carr Scholarship Foundation in 1971 to support Hispanic students. The foundation has awarded over 280 scholarships to high school seniors pursuing higher education.

The Rosemead High Modernization Project and Vikki Carr Performing Arts Center are part of the latest facilities improvements in El Monte Union and are supported by funding from Measure D, Measure HS, General Fund S & C, and State matching funds. The EMUHSD Board of Trustees approved the funds to support a sweeping modernization program that ensures every District campus receives facility improvements.

Coverage and/or inclusion of this grand dedication ceremony in your calendar of events is welcome and greatly appreciated.

The vision of the El Monte Union High School District is to empower and motivate our students to be resilient, college and career ready, lifelong learners and contributing members of our global society.

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