



Bellflower Unified School District

Media Advisory

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State Supreme Court Chief Justice Presents Top Civics Award to Bellflower High

WHAT: California Supreme Court Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye will present Bellflower High School with the state's top civic learning award, the Award of Excellence, during a special visit that will include a showcase of student projects.

WHEN: 1 p.m. Tuesday, April 5

WHERE: Bellflower High School, 15301 S. McNab Ave., Bellflower

DETAILS: The state's Civic Learning Initiative is honoring three schools with 2016 Awards of Excellence, six with Awards of Distinction and 78 with Awards of Merit.

Bellflower High School's civic-learning program, launched three years ago, engages students in real-world issues. Students frame inquiries into community issues, investigate the issues, engage in dialogue and capture different points of view before drawing a conclusion they share with teachers and classmates.

Junior and seniors take an active role in the community on their issues, such as volunteering for beautification efforts or voter registration drives.

This is Bellflower Unified's second consecutive win; Mayfair Middle School received an Award of Excellence in 2016, the first middle school so recognized.

MEDIA: Coverage of this event is welcomed and appreciated.

Standard of Excellence - Nothing Less

Bellflower Unified School District provides a pathway for all students to attain the expertise and develop skills of academic excellence that will empower them to become lifelong active learners, demonstrate respect for themselves and others in a dynamic, diverse and global society, become responsible, informed, productive, independent and contributing citizens, and perform successfully in their chosen field and in society.