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### **South Bay Workforce Investment Board Partners with Centinela Valley Union High School District to Present the Second Annual Career Fair for High School Students**

**HAWTHORNE** – Nearly 400 high school 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders from the Centinela Valley Union High School District were invited to participate in the second annual Career Fair presented March 27, 2019 at the Hawthorne Memorial Center. The event was the result of a collaboration between the South Bay Workforce Invest Board (SBWIB) and the school district.

District Superintendent Greg Obrien, Ph.D, and SBWIB Executive Director Jan Vogel welcomed the students and urged them to take full advantage of the time they would have to learn from experienced professionals who were in attendance. Students from Hawthorne, Leuzinger, Lawndale and Lloyd high schools attended the day-long event.

“You’re not here today to receive a grade, but rather to learn from employers from a variety of fields about how you can prepare to enter the work force,” said Dr. O’Brien. Mr. Vogel continued on the same note, saying, “Use this opportunity to ask questions. These are professionals gathered here for the sole purpose of giving you insights into the labor environment that awaits you.”

Students had the opportunity to talk one-on-one with representatives of more than 25 businesses and public agencies and learn how they had gained employment in their career field and what should the students do to better prepare themselves for the work place. Three breakout sessions were conducted covering financial literacy, social media in the workplace and meeting the employers.

The SBWIB has developed a number of workplace learning opportunities for students throughout the South Bay including tours of worksites, business speaker series in the classroom, career days and job shadowing sessions enabling students to work alongside professionals in the workplace. For information telephone (310) 970-7700 or visit [www.sbwib.org](http://www.sbwib.org).

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### Career Fair Photo Caption



Centinela Valley Union High School District students visit with representatives from Amazon to learn about career opportunities and required qualifications to gain employment during the second annual Career Fair presented by CVUHSD in cooperation with the South Bay Workforce Investment Board, March 27<sup>th</sup> at the Hawthorne Memorial Center.

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