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

**HAWTHORNE** – More than 200 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 first annual Career Fair presented February 7, 2018 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 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.

Students had the opportunity to engage with representatives of 32 businesses and nonprofit agencies and learn how they had personally gained employment in their career field. Students also asked for advice about what they could do to prepare themselves for the workplace. Four breakout sessions were conducted covering resume writing and interviewing skills, financial literacy, social media and the workplace and meeting the employers.

“We have developed a number of employment learning opportunities for students throughout the South Bay,” noted Mr. Vogel. Among the opportunities are tours of worksites, a speaker series in the classroom, career days and job shadowing sessions enabling students to work alongside professionals in the workplace.

The SBWIB operates four One Stop Business & Careers Centers within the South Bay area providing adult, youth and business services at no cost to the public, plus two Teen Centers in Inglewood and Hawthorne. For more information, please call (310) 970-7700 or visit [SBWIB.org](http://SBWIB.org).

## Career Fair Photo Caption



Lawndale High School students ask career development questions of one of the business representatives that attended the Career Fair February 7<sup>th</sup> presented by the South Bay Workforce Investment Board and Centinela Valley Union High School District.

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