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Rialto High School Knights Celebrates its 25th Anniversary

April 13, 2018, RIALTO – Rialto Unified School District's second comprehensive high school will celebrate its 25th Anniversary on Wednesday, April 18, 2018, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Rialto High School, located at 595 S. Eucalyptus Avenue, in Rialto.

RHS staff members, ASB students, and parent volunteers have planned for the milestone anniversary on campus, welcoming back former students, colleagues, and stakeholders who were there from the beginning phase; when the school was authorized for construction in the early 1990s.

"We are very excited to celebrate 25 years of pride and excellence," stated **Arnie Ayala**, Principal of RHS. "Rialto High School is a special place for me, as this is where I began to live my dream; to be a teacher. My years as a teacher and principal have been so rewarding, and I'm honored to have the privilege to serve this community."

Rialto High School, due to its centralized location, proudly serves students from the cities of Rialto, San Bernardino, Colton and Bloomington. The school first opened its doors to students on September 8, 1992. The mascot was named as the "Knight" with blue and silver announced as the school colors.

The Knights' tradition for academic excellence was established during the school's inception and has soared higher within the last three years, earning a variety of successes, including: California Distinguished School (1998), AVID Demonstration School (1998), MESA High School of the year (2015, 2016, 2017), Mock Trial Winner, Academic Decathlon- Scored consistently among the first ten teams in the county, Six Year WASC Review (with a one day review in 2015), California State Science Fair participation (2015, 2016, 2017), California Science Teacher of the Year in Science - Lupe Valero, County High School Rube Goldberg Machine Winner- Proceeding to Nationals in Chicago (2018), Sea Perch National Winner proceeding to the State Finals in Massachusetts (2018), Vocabulary.com – Nationally Ranked School (2016), PBIS Bronze and Silver Winner, AVID Regional Write-off Winner, Fifty Distinguished Scholars with GPAs 4.0 and above, Multi-Lingual Student Essay Runner-Up Winner, Art Contest Winners under Debra Mount - both at county level and nationally, Cheer National Championships State Winners (three times), Boys Basketball CIF State League Champions, Girls Varsity Soccer Finals, CIF Girls Basketball winners (2011), CIF League (three students), and CIF Boys Baseball Winners (1996).

"Our high school years are some of the best years of our lives," stated RUSD Superintendent Dr. Cuauhtémoc Avila. "The Board of Education and I echo the excitement of Rialto High School's dedicated students and staff, past and present, as they reflect on 25 years of quality instruction and meaningful campus experiences."

For press information on the anniversary commemoration, please contact Communications/Media Services Director Syeda Jafri, at (909) 820-7700, ext. 2127. Rialto High School Principal Arnie Ayala can also be reached at (909) 421-7500, ext. 21110.