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U-CAN Recruitment Fair gives RUSD seniors opportunities for higher learning

Sept. 17, 2018 - Rialto, Ca – U-CAN (*United College Action Network Inc.*), Go to College is back in Rialto, providing Rialto Unified School District seniors the opportunity to receive thousands of dollars worth of scholarships, on the spot admissions (*if qualified*), application waivers, and consultation with college/universities recruiters.

- The 19th Annual Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) U-CAN College Fair will be held on **Thursday, September 20, 2018**, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Carter High School, located at 2630 Linden Avenue in Rialto. RUSD seniors from Eisenhower, Rialto, Carter, and Milor/Zupanic high schools will be meet college/university recruiters. In attendance with RUSD will also be Fontana Unified School District. The two school districts have partnered for five years in this HBCU recruitment fair.
- **On Tuesday, September 18, 2018**, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., a resume workshop will be held at Carter High School, hosted by the BLU Foundation, to assist seniors with facilitating paperwork, portfolios and resumes. This free workshop assists seniors with college/university preparations.
- On Thursday, Sept 20, 2018, as the UCAN Recruitment Fair is held in the gymnasium, parents/guardians are welcomed to attend a UCAN Parent Workshop, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Carter High School Multi-Purpose Room.

RUSD and FUSD seniors will be prepared by their counselors and career center technicians for this event and arrive with their portfolios, consisting of their transcripts, PSAT/SAT scores, and resumes. Various HBCU will be in attendance to guide and offer students on the spot admission. Last year students received 59 admission offers and scholarship monies worth \$806,238.

Tomorrow night at Carter High School, BLU Foundation is holding a workshop at the Carter High School Career Center.

The U-CAN College Fair will be filled with recruiters from over 30 to 40 HBCUs representing hundreds of majors and professional degrees. Some universities and colleges include: Alabama State University, Fisk University, Howard University, Hampton University, Texas Southern University, Tuskegee University, Wilberforce University, Xavier University, Bennett, Morehouse, Spelman, and Tougaloo colleges. Student/parent support-based education organizations such as the BLU Educational Foundation and the Black Voice Foundation have partnered with HBCUs for many years.

RUSD Superintendent, **Dr. Cuauhtémoc Avila**, stated, "Our District is fortunate to continue this wonderful opportunity for our graduating seniors. I commend our staff; specifically, the counselors, teachers, and principals who work with District staff, to continue in keeping our students' emphasis on higher learning. The HBCU Recruitment Fair is a needed outreach for many of our seniors, and I'm proud of its success in our District,"

For more information on U-CAN College Fair, please call Education Services at (909) 820-7700, ext. 2139 or register online at: <u>www.gotocollegefairs.com</u>