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## Coastline ROP Celebrates 120 Students for Outstanding Achievements in Career Technical Education

Costa Mesa, CA - Coastline ROP proudly celebrated 120 exemplary students for their leadership, dedication, and hard work in Coastline ROP career technical education classes at their annual Student Showcase on May 8, 2024 at Beckman High School. These outstanding students were nominated by their teachers or career specialists, underscoring their exceptional contributions and achievements.

The event featured individual awards across ten distinct sectors:

- Agriculture & Natural Resources
- Arts. Media. and Entertainment
- Building Trades & Construction
- Education, Child Development & Family Services
- Health Science and Medical Technology
- Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation
- Information Communications Technology
- Marketing, Sales, and Service
- Public Services
- Transportation

Additionally, several special designation awards were presented:

- Darlene Le Fort Superintendent Award for Integrity: Siddh Ranawat, Beckman High School
- Paul E. Snyder Leadership Award: Adin Schnell, Laguna Hills High School
- Ronald B. Freeman Future Firefighters Award: Edward Hurtado, Laguna Hills High School
- Dedicated Student Award: Jeffrey Gonzalez, Estancia High School
- Most Inspirational Student: Lailonie Pacheco, Costa Mesa High School
- Coastline ROP Motivated Student Award: Prisha Ramasamy, Woodbridge High School
- Amy Kaufman & Michael Perry Young Innovator Award: Joyce De Quiros, Newport Harbor High School
- Schweers Family Sports Medicine Scholarship: Sydney Ngo, Costa Mesa High School



Future Educator Award: Cayla Campbell, Monte Vista High School

The pinnacle of the evening was the announcement of Coastline ROP's 2023-24 Career Education Student of the Year, awarded to Faraz Shahbazi from Woodbridge High School. Faraz's commitment to his education is evidenced by his completion of multiple courses at Coastline ROP, including Dental Back Office, Dental Front Office, Dental Internship, and Professional Internship classes. His future aspirations include attending dental school with the goal of becoming a dentist. Faraz shared his journey, stating, "More than anything, ROP is a tool that helps us students figure ourselves out. In my time at Coastline ROP, I feel like I have learned more about myself than the content of my classes. I was given a piece of advice when it comes to picking a career that I've been thinking over ever since: 'Do not seek work in a career if you can see yourself doing anything else than that job.' And thanks to Coastline ROP, I know the only thing I want to do for the rest of my life is make people smile."

The celebration was attended by Coastline ROP Trustees, high school administrators, local legislators, teachers, career specialists, and student families. The proceedings were captured by students from Coastline ROP's broadcast program, led by teacher Tina Murphy. Culinary program students, under the guidance of teacher David Fouts, prepared an assortment of pastries and cookies for the attendees.

Dr. Brian Dozer, Superintendent of Coastline ROP, remarked, "Our students continue to impress us with their dedication, talent, and achievements. It is an honor to celebrate their success and witness the positive impact of our career technical education programs on their lives and futures."

## About Coastline ROP

Founded in 1971, Coastline ROP is a leading provider of career technical education, serving high school students and adult learners in the Irvine Unified, Newport-Mesa Unified, Saddleback Valley Unified, and Tustin Unified School Districts. With a diverse range of programs in various industries, Coastline ROP equips students with the skills and certifications needed to succeed in their chosen careers. By combining academic rigor with real-world experiences, Coastline ROP prepares students for success in the workforce and higher education. Courses are taught by experienced professionals who provide students with the latest industry knowledge and techniques. Students also can gain real-world experience through internships, job shadows, and field trips. The mission of Coastline ROP is to prepare students to be contributing members of their communities by providing an innovative career technical education focused on college and career readiness. For more information, please visit Coastline ROP's website or contact Superintendent Dr. Brian Dozer at <a href="mailto:bdozer@coastlinerop.org">bdozer@coastlinerop.org</a>.