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Santa Barbara County Education Office announces classified employees of the year

The Santa Barbara County Education Office (SBCEO) announced the winners of this year's Classified School Employees of the Year at its monthly meeting April 5. Recognized this year were:

Miguel Garcia (Maintenance, Operations, and Facilities category); Oak Valley Elementary and Jonata Middle schools, Buellton Union School District

Amber Lishman (Child Nutrition category); Oak Valley Elementary School, Buellton Union School District

Wendy Solis (Office and Technical category); Oak Valley Elementary School, Buellton Union School District

John Widle (Support Services and Security category); Delta High School, Santa Maria Joint Union High School District

Jose Ochoa, Jack Martinez, Tamara Moreno, and Christina Morelli (Transportation category); Carpinteria Unified School District

“Classified employees are essential to the success of our schools,” said Santa Barbara County Superintendent of Schools Susan Salcido. “Classified employees support our students, schools, and communities. We are grateful for their dedication and leadership in meeting the needs of our students across the county.”

The nomination process started at the district level, where each district was invited to nominate classified employees from the different categories. A county committee reviewed the nominations and selected the county's nominees.

Their award packages will now be forwarded to the state for consideration as the California Classified School Employee of the Year. The state winners will be honored in Sacramento later this year.

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