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The Lanyards are Coming! The Lanyards are Coming!



Now that you know they are coming, just what are lanyards? No, they aren't people from a country called Lanyardia. Many of you may know and may have already had one. Lanyards are the ribbon-like straps that you wear around your neck and attach an ID card to.

Our lanyards will be red with Advanced Training and our logo printed on them. The lanyards will also be the perfect place to put the special pins that we will begin rewarding soon. We will have pins for Perfect Attendance, Honor Roll, Veterans, and others so you can proudly wear your achievement!



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Name the Newsletter



If you look at the top of this page you will see that something is missing! We need a name for our newsletter. If you have the perfect name for it, be sure to see Bing or Jody to fill out the Perfect

Newsletter Name entry form. Our school President, Jo Zakarin, will choose the winner. There will be a prize! Also, we need a school mascot so put on your 'thinking caps' and think about what our perfect mascot would be. If you are an artist, put your idea on paper and turn

it in to Bing or Jody. If you aren't an artist that is not a problem! Write down what the mascot is and describe it in detail. Our President will choose the winner. There will be a prize for this also!

Where in the World is Advanced Training?



Advanced Training not only offers education at our campus in El Cajon, we also travel to Military bases to provide classes. Advanced Training recently set up our first class for MCAS Hawaii at Kaneohe Bay. Surf's up, Dude!

ATA offered a three week Telecommunications Installation and Service Technology course in Electronics, Fiber Optics and FCC GROL. Our next military class is scheduled for Eglin Air Force Base in Florida. Advanced Training will be returning to Eglin AFB for the second time this year!

Golden Words from Grandma Bing

Friendship

Friendship is a simple thing, really. When Grandma celebrated her 95th birthday the family threw a surprise party in her honor. Invitations were sent, and on the day of the celebration the rented hall was filled with well-wishers.

Grandma's eyes filled with tears when she saw the assemblage. To be remembered by friends was more precious a gift than any festively wrapped package and Grandma's smile was the greatest gift to old friends.



FROM THE DESK OF VALERIE-SCHOOL DIRECTOR

STUDENT LOANS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

When you take out a Federal Loan, you sign an agreement that you'll repay it. That agreement is called a Promissory Note; which basically means your promise to pay back your loan. This legal document tells you how and when you must repay.

If you have any questions about your loan or you're having trouble making the payments, contact me or stop by my office! Graduates: If you are past due I can help you get caught up. No payment is required.

If you don't repay the loan, your Student Loan **DEFAULTS**. Remember you are borrowing this money from the United States Department of Education. Once you **DEFAULT** on order of the federal government, they will take action collecting on **YOUR DEBT**.



Some of the Action the Federal Government Can Take:

- Garnishment of Wages
- Federal and State income tax returns will be seized
- **STOP** you from receiving future Financial Aid

Advanced Training has also contracted with WISS. This company acts as an advocate between you and the government. They are available to help you! If you are falling behind on your loan payments call them at 1-800-257-4757.

Here is an example of what happened to one student:



Suzanne* was excited about her federal income tax refund check; she was going to use that money for a new iphone. The check never came. Instead, she received a notice saying the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) was keeping her refund and would apply it toward repayment of her defaulted federal student loan.

The IRS will withhold a defaulter's federal income tax refund and apply the amount withheld toward repayment of the defaulted loan.

*Name changed to protect her identity

HOLIDAY!!!

Don't forget that Monday **September 1st** is Labor Day! School will be closed.

WORD PUZZLE! - HOW MANY ENGLISH WORDS CAN YOU MAKE FROM THE GIVEN WORD?

The student with the most words wins a prize! Turn in your list to Bing or Jody

Lethologica — the inability to remember a word or put your finger on the right word



All My "Graduated" Children
by Jo Zakarin
President

If I were asked to name this newsletter, it would be called All My Children. That was my favorite soap opera in the 1980's and exactly how I feel about all of you. Not that part about the soap opera (although at times/ maybe in Kyle's class, LoL), but because I feel that all students regardless of their age, are my children and are part of the ATA family.

I wasn't blessed with children of my own, but those who know me, know that when asked if I have any, I say I have had

thousands. In my thirty year career I have been blessed to be part of the education and support of some of the most talented, funny, beautiful, and smart people's transformation of their dreams into reality. I can only imagine that the pride I feel, must be similar to the pride a parent feels when their child achieves anything worthwhile.

Children sometimes cause trouble, sometimes they cause you heartache and sometimes they disappoint you, but in the end, they belong to you and you forgive, move on and nothing can break the bond that is family. I feel that ATA is more than a school, it is a home away from home. A place of nurturing and growing, learning and acceptance,

that for some of our students, is the first real place where encouragement comes without judgment. When that happens self esteem blossoms and people grow...just like children.

There comes a time when you leave us, just like children leave home. However, we hope that you are secure in the knowledge that we have given you all we have to give and just like home, we will be here for you. I am here for you, because....you are all my children.

I hope you are thriving and doing well today and always. By the way, you need to name this newsletter, All My Children is taken!



Student Discount News



Amazon -

They offer some discounts on their Prime Program for students,

Visit the website at http://www.amazon.com/gp/student/signup/info/ref=lp_student.

Creative Instinct-

8774 Cuyamaca St. Santee

Student discount

Taco Bell -

Many of the Taco Bells in our area offer a 10% student discount. Ask them.

Carl's Jr. -

Many of the Carl's Jr. in our area offer a 10% student discount BUT you must get a sticker from them to put on your ID. Do this soon if you are interested.



Be sure to tell us if you hear about any student discounts! Let's save money!





Kimberly's Korner

Career Services is open to serving students, graduates, and alumni. The department offers workshops designed to provide practical tips and strategies to give you the competitive edge in the job search process. Please come and see me or contact me about:

- **Personal Job Search or Career Planning Needs** - make an office appointment or schedule a phone appointment
- **Externship opportunities for Medical students** - let's discuss your medical career goals and opportunities
- **Job Search Correspondence Review:** drop off your resume/cover letter for review or email documents to: Kimberly@advancedtraining.edu

- **Workshops & Career Events:** Placement informational workshops, resume writing, and externship workshops will be offered

I am here to help make sense of your goal(s) during/after your program. Stop by my office, let's work together, and start the conversation towards your successful career path. Striving to be prepared leads to a life that makes sense. Are you ready to start that process? If so, I am here to help you!

Career Services Hours:

Monday: 8:30am-12pm, 1pm-5:30pm

Tuesday: 10am-2pm, 3pm-7pm

Wednesday: 9am-12pm, 1pm-6pm

Thursday: 8am-12pm, 1pm-5pm

Friday: 8am-12pm, 1pm-3pm



GOOD NEWS!

Congratulations to the new mothers of ATA! Best wishes to Sarah Ismail and her husband on the birth of their new son Matthews.

Another congratulations to Sara Hana and her husband on the birth of their new son Kyrillos!

We want to share the good news in your life! Tell us about babies, marriages, special achievements, job promotions, or other announcements for the next letter.



CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

Recent Grads:

Julius Poyaoan-IST
 Jeffery Campbell-IST
 Marilou Macaraeg-MA
 Roshena Evans-MA
 Leslie Sanchez-MA
 Jesel Salmeron-MA
 Elizabeth Tavares-MA
 Sandra Gibo-MA

Recent Placements:

Jessica Bogle—MA
 Zina Nasir—MA
 Sandra Gibo—MA
 Fatimah Abdulridha— MA
 Elizabeth Tavares-MA
 Caroline Jajoo-MA
 Hamsa Astefo-MA
 Danielle Asprea-MA
 Julius Poyaoan-IST

EDUCATION PROCLAMATION

Many students never believed they could finish or graduate from College, If you are almost done with a Diploma program, why stop? Advanced Training Associate Degrees are only six additional months and you can look for a job during the day. Students who transition directly into the Degree have the highest percentage of

completing. Associate of Applied Science for Medical Assistant and Associate of Applied Technology for IST can both be attained after finishing the Diploma program. Financial Aid is available for most students and can help pay the extra \$5,603 to earn a Degree. Just imagine how proud your friends and family will be when you say you have a Degree!

The next start dates for the Degrees will be September 2nd and 29th. We are here to help you. Please come to see Steve Howard if you have any questions.

