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### **STEVE ALLEN “EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION” AWARD HONORING VALLEY SCHOOLS, EDUCATORS, AND STUDENTS ON MAY 21st**

*Sherman Oaks, CA* -- San Fernando Valley schools, educators and students, who have recently received national awards, will be recognized during The Valley Economic Alliance’s (TVEA) Board of Governors meeting tomorrow - Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> during a special annual education awards program. The meeting and awards ceremony is from 5:30pm-7:30pm at California State University Northridge College of Extended Learning; Extended University Commons Conference Room 101 located at 18111 Nordhoff St, Northridge, CA 91330.

The “Steve Allen Excellence in Education” award was named after Valley resident and legendary entertainer Steve Allen, and salutes nationally recognized achievements in the education field. The awards are presented by Bill Allen; Steve Allen’s son and TVEA’s Executive Boardmember.

Recipients of the 2019 Steve Allen “Excellence in Education” Awards include:

- **Granada Hills Charter High School**, United States Academic Decathlon winning team
- **National Merit Scholarship Program** winners
- **Oakwood School, Period. End of Sentence.** Academy Award winner for Best Documentary Short Subject

**The “Champion of Education” Award** recognizes individuals and/or organizations who have dedicated their lives to improving education. This year’s recipient is Linda Del Cueto, Local District Northeast Superintendent for Los Angeles Unified School District.

**The “Innovation in Education” Award** recognizes outstanding educational leaders for their innovative use of the arts in the classroom and community. This year’s recipients are California State University Northridge’s SIMPACT Immersive Learning Program and Steven Baxter, Local District Northeast, Los Angeles Unified School District.

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