

# **Victor Valley Community College Press Release**

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## **Silverado High School Teacher Selected as a Teacher R Heroes Honoree**

The computer classroom was filled with students all intently focused on their screens and actively imputing instructions when the Teachers R Heroes team entered the room in a surprise visit for Michael Krause, Silverado Business/Computer Technology teacher, who was to be honored as the newest recipient of the award. Mr. Krause's nomination was supported by the largest number of letters submitted by students and parents in support of a teacher since the program began.

Excerpts of the many nominations had similar themes. He cares about students, he protects their right to learn with his actions and determination, and he wants everyone to succeed. "Mr. Krause has done more for my child in the way of teaching him self-esteem and self worth. He has shown my son that he can be anything he wants to be and does not need to be in a gang to be wanted. My son was going down the wrong path and

Mr. Krause changed all of that. For this, I am very grateful that we have wonderful teachers such as him. I hope you consider him to be a hero,” a parent wrote in support of his nomination. In another nomination a student wrote, “Mr. Krause is my hero because he has helped me sign up for the K12 Bridge program at VVC. He actually took the time out in his class to make sure everyone of his students knew how to log on and register for Bridge. He then came to us one by one and helped us find our way around the site. He did not have to do this and I am very thankful for a teacher like Mr. Krause.” “ I would like to nominate Mr. Krause as a hero to me. I was in need of getting a job to help support my family and I needed to learn how to make a resume. Mr. Krause not only helped me with my resume but he also taught me how to tie a tie. He even gave me a couple of ties for my own. Without his help, I would not have gotten a job to help support my family. We need more teachers like Mr. Krause,” another student wrote. An ESL student wrote, “Mr. Krause has worked with me this last year even though I am not a native English speaking student and don’t speak the language well. He never makes fun of me like other people do. He is my hero. Por favor, recognize him. Gracias.”

The Teachers R Heroes Program is sponsored by Victor Valley College, San Bernardino County Schools, Clear Channel Radio, and Desert Community Bank.

Teacher nominations may be submitted in the form of 500 words-or-less essays to [www.vvc.edu](http://www.vvc.edu). Anyone interested in making a nomination can go online to [www.KATCOUNTRY1007.com](http://www.KATCOUNTRY1007.com), [www.Y102FM.com](http://www.Y102FM.com), [www.TheFox106.com](http://www.TheFox106.com), or [www.Talk960.com](http://www.Talk960.com), and find a link to the college’s website.

Nominations may also be sent by mail to Victor Valley College, Teachers are Heroes,  
18422 Bear Valley Road, Victorville, CA 92395, attention Dr. Lori Kildal.

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