MEDIA ADVISORY

Musicians will Play for Rowell and Heaton, Give back to the Community

What: Musicians Patrick Contreras and Omar Naré will perform at elementary school where Contreras first learned to play music

When: Rowell Elementary School: Tuesday, April 9, 2019
8:30-9 a.m. and 9:15-10 a.m.
Heaton Elementary School: Wednesday, April 10, 2019
9-10 a.m.

Where: Rowell: 3460 E. McKenzie Ave. (93702)
Heaton: 1533 N. San Pablo Ave. (93728)

Violinist Patrick Contreras and guitarist and pianist Omar Naré, who both attended Fresno Unified schools, will perform for students at two elementary campuses as part of the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools Spark! initiative made possible through the generosity of Kurt and Terri Zumwalt.

At Rowell, the audience will include retired music teacher Gaylene Joe, who introduced Contreras to music and taught him to play the violin when he was a fifth-grader at Rowell. Contreras graduated from Hoover High School. Naré attended Roosevelt High School until his family moved to Texas.

“What a treat to have two innovative musicians, educated in our district, perform for our students. These are the kinds of experiences that inspire students to greater heights,” said Superintendent Bob Nelson.
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