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018-013: Holiday Boutique at the SJCOE

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## Holiday Boutique Offers Gifts Crafted by Students in Special Education

Students gain valuable skills making, selling holiday gifts and décor

Students in special education from across San Joaquin County will sell student-made holiday gifts and decorations at the Third Annual Entrepreneurial Business Holiday Boutique at the San Joaquin County Office of Education (SJCOE) on Dec. 1 from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

All are welcome to come shop and meet the student crafters behind the gifts on display. The Holiday Boutique is sponsored by the WorkAbility I program through the San Joaquin County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA), part of the SJCOE. WorkAbility I is a state program that provides students ages 12 to 22 vocational services and places students 16 and older in paid positions with local employers.

The middle school students, high school students, and young adults participating in the Holiday Boutique learn valuable skills while making the gifts and by interacting with customers. For more information about the Entrepreneurial Business Holiday Boutique or the WorkAbility I program, please contact Margaret St. George at <a href="margaret-mstgeorge@sjcoe.net">mstgeorge@sjcoe.net</a>.

What: Third Annual Entrepreneurial Business Holiday Boutique

**When**: Friday, Dec. 1

9 a.m. to noon

**Where**: Wentworth Education Center, Burwood Auditorium

San Joaquin County Office of Education 2707 Transworld Drive, Stockton

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