

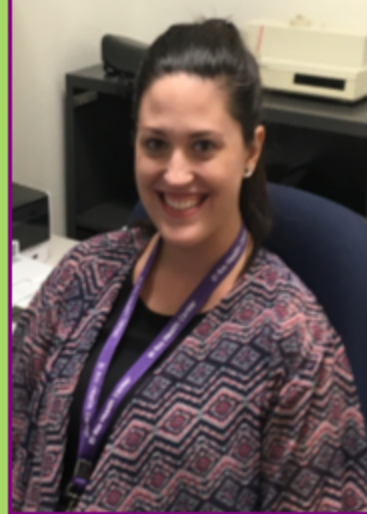
# EL RIO HAPPENINGS

Newsletter

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## GOOD LUCK HEATHER!

Heather Bartlett, a math teacher at Rincon High School, joined us as a Financial Analyst this summer on a 2 month assignment as part of a U of A program called Teachers in Industry. The goal of the program is to improve teacher retention and offer real world industry experience to share with students with an interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) careers. Heather's final day with El Rio was July 28. Below she shares her thoughts on her experience with El Rio.



## What interested you in the Teachers in Industry

**program?** I was looking for summer work that was geared towards teachers and came across Teachers in Industry. What led me to apply was the fact that it wasn't just a summer job, but it had a class component as well to help me relate my experience back to my classroom.

**What have you learned in your two months at El Rio?** I have definitely grown stronger in my excel knowledge and skills over the past two month. Working for El Rio has been great because I have a lot more knowledge of the Healthcare profession and how complex it is.

**What did you expect and how was your experience different?** I tried not to come in with too many expectations. I was surprised by the data collection process. My summer turned into a lot of data collection and clean up, which I wasn't expecting to take as long as it did.

I think my work this summer started and continued some great conversations. I will leave El Rio with some good data to move forward with, which I am very pleased about.

**What will you share with your students?** My students will be completing a Project-Based Learning unit that I have created through the class component of this program. They will be doing some data gathering and analysis that they will have to make conclusions from. What's great is that I have already felt the struggle they will feel and will be able to help them through it. **Heather Bartlett**, Financial Analyst Intern.

This is what "Create Tomorrow" looks like to me. **Carlos Rico**, CFO