

NEWSLETTER

Back to School Night

EVEF kicks off Fundraising for 2008

The Evergreen Valley Educational Foundation begins the 2008-9 school year with its second "Back to School" Night fundraiser.

In the past two years EVEF has used such donations to support small, "innovation" grants to teachers and campus organizations, so far including the Speech and Debate club and History and Math (pictured) Departments.



The Evergreen Valley Educational Foundation is an independent entity that supports and promotes excellence in the educational experience of our youth at Evergreen Valley High School, in cooperation with the East Side Union High School District.

EVEF Goals

- To raise funds and provide resources to enhance and enrich the education of our youth at Evergreen Valley High School
- To be a conduit between the community and the school allowing individuals or groups to make financial contributions toward the educational goals of Evergreen Valley High School
- To inform the community (businesses, residents, parents, etc.) about the educational needs of our youth at Evergreen Valley High School
- To responsibly distribute the contributions received to fund essential programs for the benefit of our youth at Evergreen Valley High School.

Leadership Conference

EVEF initiates Leadership Conference series in 2008

EVHS has many active organizations on campus. However, the recent accreditation review of EVHS identified the lack of focus and coordination among them as a significant weakness.

To help address this problem, EVEF organized the first EVHS Leadership Conference in March. With the co-sponsorship of iPACE and the EVHS Site

Council, leaders of all student and parent organizations involved with EVHS were invited. Over 40 participants discussed the challenges facing the EVHS community and the opportunities to enhance cooperation between the organization and with the wider Evergreen community.

A second Leadership Conference is being organized for October.

CHANGES IN THE BOARD

Our two new board members expand the EVEF board's breadth of experience and of community participation. Mr Hernan Diaz, language teacher at EVHS, has been with the school since it opened. He is an active member of the teachers union and will help EVEF better serve the teachers needs.

Mr Jorge Mendoza, vice-president of Comerica Bank on Silver Creek, has also joined the board. He brings financial experience and a local business perspective to our board.

We thank departing board members, Cari Vaeth and Vice-Mayor David Cortese, for their help over the past few years as EVEF was established.