

# **EDUHSD E-News**

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## Annual "Kids in Need" (KIN) Clothing Drive

Union Mine High School's Annual "Kids in Need" (KIN) Clothing Drive provided 200 students with clothing, toiletries, household goods and toys. \$550 of prizes were donated by staff that were given to students through drawings. AVID students volunteered many hours to help set everything up. Thank you to our staff, students and community members for your time and to all who donated!

#### 3rd Annual Fashion Show & Auction

Virtual Academy held its 3rd Annual Fashion Show & Auction on December 3rd. The event featured refreshments, door prizes, a live Fashion Show, and local businesses donated gift baskets for the auction. Students, parents and teachers participated as the models and ROP Cosmetology students volunteered to do their hair and makeup. Proceeds went to the high school and a portion of the funds went to help a local non-profit called "Hope House," a homeless women and children center in El Dorado County.



#### Teen Court

Teen court is a highly successful program funded through the El Dorado County Health and Human Services Agency, Alcohol and Drug Programs and students from El Dorado, Oak Ridge, Ponderosa and Union Mine High School participate. After completing a mandatory training, students serve as court personnel for real cases in which a minor has committed an offense, admitted the offense and chosen to be judged for sentencing by their peers. Students serve in roles such as juror, prosecuting and defense attorney, court clerk and bailiff. Rotating Superior Court Judges and Senior Attorneys preside over Teen Court. Community Attorneys donate their time to help students develop their cases. Students get a real understanding of the juvenile justice system and defendants receive a fair and appropriate sentence through responsible consideration by their peers. "Teen court was a great experience to learn about the justice system and how small mistakes can have a large impact on our future. I became interested in possibly pursuing a law a degree and becoming an attorney" said Union Mine student, Colton Peters.



# Giving Back to our Community

In keeping with the holiday spirit of giving, the Ponderosa High School baseball and basketball players, coaches, and families volunteered at the El Dorado County Food Bank on December 17th. Led by Varsity Baseball Coach, Ben Petersen and Basketball Coach, Troy Selvey, the boys assisted Food Bank staff with distributing holiday dinners to community members in need. Coach Petersen said, "We participated in this event so that our boys could give back to their community and feel what the holidays are really about. It was a humbling experience for everyone and a great tradition to continue for years to come for the Ponderosa baseball program. I am extremely proud of our athletes, watching them become responsible young men."

### Computer Science - Hour of Code

Oak Ridge High School (ORHS) students recently participated in computer science education week's "Hour of Code," which is designed to show that anybody can learn the basics of code and is supposed to broaden participation in the field of computer science. It has since become a worldwide effort reaching tens of



science. It has since become a worldwide effort reaching tens of millions of students in 180+ countries. On December 9th, 115 ORHS students went to Rolling Hills Middle School to teach a one hour long coding lesson to every student at the school. Our students did a great job preparing for their presentations and had fun working with the younger students.

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Help us celebrate the great things that our students, faculty and staff accomplish every day!

