



# EDUHSD E-News

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## Santa's Workshop

Over 150 guests including community members, teachers, students, and parents attended El Dorado High School's 3rd Annual Toy Shop on the evening of December 11th. Mr. Gunnensen's woodworking students (Santa's elves) did an amazing job in Santa's Workshop. Mrs. Bourque's art students painted the windows with holiday cheer, Mrs. Verner's art students made paper snowflakes, Mrs. Howton's and Mr. Inks' students made sweet treats for the visitors, and Mrs. Applegarth's leadership class helped with decorations. The room was decorated beautifully with lights, trees, and delicious treats. The room was filled with handmade games and toys for the children to play with, and students from EDHS's band did an outstanding job playing Christmas music for the crowd. At the end of this magical night, every child was given a handmade train set to take home. Every detail was perfect. Mr. Gunnensen said "It was wonderful to see my student "elves" enjoy the culmination of their work. They really took ownership of this event and learned that their efforts have a very real and positive impact on others. This is what my class is all about." Thank you EDHS for making this event extra magical for all!



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## Annual "Kids in Need" Clothing Drive

Union Mine High School's Annual "Kids in Need" (KIN) Clothing Drive provided 120 students with a shopping spree for clothing, toiletries, household goods and toys. Additionally, over \$800 worth of gift cards were donated for raffle prizes. Leadership 2 students contributed many hours to help set everything up. Thank you to Raley's for donating bags which allowed for the students to shop, Grace Community Church in Pleasant Valley for making a \$500 donation, and to our staff, students and community members for your time and to all who donated!



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## Giving Back to our Community

In keeping with the holiday spirit of giving, the Ponderosa High School baseball program spent a total of four hours volunteering their time to the community at the El Dorado County Food Bank on December 16th. Sophomore student Julian Vazquez stated "It was a good feeling being able to pay it forward to my community and be with my teammates at the same time." The boys assisted Food Bank staff with distributing holiday dinners to community members in need. Coach Ben Petersen said, "It's important for the boys to know there's more than baseball. Being a positive influence and model in the community makes everyone better. It was a humbling experience."



## Kids Holiday Baking Class

Oak Ridge High School's annual Kids Holiday Baking Class was held on December 16th at ORHS. This is a fun event for ages 6-12 that is taught and supervised by Sharon Varozza (the culinary adviser) along with culinary students/FCCLA members. Children created three different holiday treats: Stained Glass Window Cookies, Gingerdoodle Sandwich Cookies, and Candy Cane Cookies and were excited to take a dozen of treats home to enjoy. Everyone had a great time and all proceeds/donations received went to FCCLA for their State Leadership meeting. Thank you to everyone who participated and who made this event extra special for the children.

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