

EDUHSD E-News

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Regional College Fair Opens Doors for Students

The El Dorado Union High School District (EDUHSD) 2017 Regional College Fair, held at Union Mine High School on Monday, October 2nd, was a huge success. Hundreds of students and family members attended to visit dozens of college booths. Students from outside EDUHSD also attended, including Golden Sierra and Amador High Schools, as the event was open to all students. Career Guidance Specialist, LeeAnn Galbraith, said "The College Fair is a great event for the students on the Western Slope of El Dorado County. With three breakout sessions, over 90 post-secondary options in attendance including 8 of the 9 UC campuses represented, and more than 1,400 parents and students checking things out, it is a fun, busy, and informative evening." Thank you to all of the families and participants for making this event such a success!

Spanish 3 Cooking Contest

Union Mine High School (UMHS) Spanish 3 classes recently held a *Torneo de Cocinar* (cooking contest) where students brought in foods that they prepared from different Hispanic countries from across the world. On the day of the contest, parents and UMHS staff members judged the taste and the presentation of the projects while students explained in Spanish how they prepared their dishes as well as something about the culture of the country they selected. Based on the scores from the judges, the winning presentations in each block were awarded a "golden spoon." All students did a fantastic job on their presentations and fun was had by students and guests alike.

Winners from all 3 classes (pictured from L to R) - Standing: teacher Kari Wolford, Stephanie Villanueva, Anna Salvestrin, Courtney Giese, Chloe Norris, teacher Martin Walsack, Marahya Hoyos, Erik Smith, and teacher Sue Mathews. Kneeling: Alison Ross-Medina, Amiah Manansala Smith, Michelle Mendez, and Haley Unger. (not pictured - Nevaeh Cruz)

The Breakaway Tour

El Dorado High School (EDHS) showed their spirit when 106.5 The End recently visited their campus with Rey y Kaye and the 106.5 The End Hit Squad. They provided a live DJ and music to create a fun and welcoming atmosphere and reviewed 3 main goals of focus for the program: Setting Goals, Overcoming Obstacles, and Achieving Success. Motivational speakers then gave real life stories on how obstacles can be overcome to create a successful future. This year's theme is called "VIBIN" and is all about creating an unbreakable mindset where ideas can be created and goals can be achieved. The Breakaway Tour inspires and encourages students to set goals and believe in themselves. Reassuring students that anything in life is possible and if they can dream it, they can achieve it.

Foundation Golf Tournament

The Oak Ridge High School (ORHS) Foundation held its annual golf tournament on Monday, October 2nd at the Serrano Country Club. Over 150 golfers and attendees enjoyed a beautiful day on the course and the evening's dinner and auction. All proceeds will benefit the educational courses, classroom supplies, and facility upgrades in the STEM program at ORHS. A big thank you to Shellie Cook for chairing this event. The ORHS Foundation is incredibly grateful for the time and talent donated by Shellie and her team of volunteers. They are also thankful for the tremendous support and generosity of their business and family sponsors and donors. The ORHS Foundation looks forward to supporting more educational endeavors in 2018.



Commended Students in the 2018 National Merit Scholarship Program

The principal, Lisa Garrett, of Ponderosa High School (PHS) announced that Gabrielle Bellue and Jonathan Dau have been named Commended Students in the 2018 National Merit Scholarship Program. Letters or Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, were presented by the principal to these scholastically talented seniors. About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2018 competition for National Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 scorers of more than 1.6 million students who entered the 2018 competition by taking the 2016 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT). "The young men and women being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success," commented a spokesperson for NMSC. "These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success."

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

