

EAST SIDE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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East Side Union High School District Hosts Renowned Educational Reform Leader

On Tuesday, September 16, 2003, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Yerba Buena High School, **Dr. Willard R. Daggett, Ed.D.** will address East Side Union staff on the value of Smaller Learning Communities.

Dr. Daggett is the President of the International Center for Leadership in Education. He has been recognized internationally for his efforts to move education systems toward more rigorous and relevant skills and knowledge for all students. He has worked with many school districts around the world with school reform.

At this particular session Dr. Daggett will share his extensive research on building great schools; discuss successful Smaller Learning Community models and instructional models that build on students' interest, learning styles and aptitudes; highlight the impact technology has on literacy and provide suggestions and recommendations for obtaining foundation and state/federal grants.

The East Side Union High School District received a planning grant to establish Small Learning Communities in several schools and the District is a contender for a major Small Learning Communities implementation grant. "We are excited to have Dr. Daggett speak to our staff. We hope to capitalize on his knowledge and experience as we develop our learning communities." said East Side **Superintendent Esperanza Zendejas**.

Dr. Daggett has authored 12 textbooks, five books on educational leadership, numerous research reports, and many articles in professional publications. He has spoken in all 50 states and several nations. As a speaker, he challenges everyone's assumptions about the purposes, benefits, and effectiveness of American schools. He helps his audiences look at the education system differently. He inspires them both to embrace what is best about our schools and to make the changes necessary to meet the needs of all students in the 21st century.

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