



*EAST SIDE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
830 N. CAPITOL AVENUE – SAN JOSE, CA 95133*

News Release

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Independence High School holds Annual “Blood Drive”

On Friday, April 7, 2005 *Independence High School* held its 18th Annual Blood Drive. *Independence* science teacher, **Jack Elwell**, has organized and coordinated the last seventeen (17) drives. The *Independence High School’s Physiology Club* has hosted the last ten (10) Spring Drives and has worked together with *Stanford Blood Center* for the last three years in the collection of the blood. **Mr. Elwell** remarked, “They use *Stanford Blood Center* because they provide the best services, nicest staff and great cookies!”

Mr. Elwell reported they had an honored volunteer and first time donor at this year’s Blood Drive, Superintendent **Bob Nuñez**. He said, “This is a first for us, a District Superintendent donating blood!” He also reported the following statistics:

- 176 registered
- 105 first time donors
- 117 productive units
- 59 deferrals (mostly for low iron)

The blood donated at this year’s drive will be able to help as many as **351 patients**.

For more information on *Independence High School Blood Drives*, e-mail **Jack Elwell** at elwellj@esuhsd.org.

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