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# **SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE**

**EAST SIDE UNION  
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

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At the **Special Board Meeting of March 9, 2006** the members of the public were given an opportunity to address the Board. Some items of discussion were:

★ **Board Special Recognitions**

The following students were recognized for their outstanding achievement, scholarship, leadership and service at the **2006 African American Achiever Award Ceremony**:

- **Jalecia Olden**, Evergreen Valley High School
- **Jamila Beck**, Piedmont High School
- **Rahsanna Sessions**, Santa Teresa High School
- **Michele Davis**, Evergreen Valley High School
- **Adjoni Parker**, Independence High School
- **Shawni Wright**, James Lick High School

★ **Week of the Administrator: March 6- 10, 2006**

**Joel Herrera**, Association of California School Administrators East Side Charter President, informed the Board that **March 6 – 10, 2006** is the “Week of the School Administrator.” All school leaders are to be commended for the contributions they make to successful student achievement.

★ **Adult Education Week: March 13 – 17, 2006**

**Cari Vaeth**, Director of Adult Education, gave a presentation on the history of East Side Union High School District’s Adult Education Program. She is to be commended for providing such an outstanding program for our students and community.

★ **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Empowerment Education Conference**

On **March 18, 2006**, from **8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.** the **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Community Empowerment Education Conference** will be held at Oak Grove High School. The keynote speaker will be **Dr. Lorraine Monroe**. The East Side Union High School District community is invited to attend this event.

★ **California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE)**

The Board approved the following recommendations regarding the California Exit Exam Certificate of Completion:

- An East Side Union High School District non-graduate is a student who does not meet the 220 credit requirement and/or has not passed the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE).
- ESUHSD non-graduates will be given an individualized plan indicating what they have achieved and the items needed to earn a diploma.

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★ Director of Information Technology Appointment

*Dennis Barbata* was has been appointed as the permanent *Director of Information Technology*. *Dennis* to be commended for his wealth of knowledge and experiences in the area of technology.

★ Special Board Meeting: March 16, 2006

A *Special Board* meeting has been scheduled for **March 16, 2006**, at **4:00 p.m.** Two of the items to be addressed will be:

- Boundary Recommendations by Administration
- *East Side Teachers Association (ESTA)* Contract Ratification Proposal

★ Retirement Announcement: Evergreen Valley High School Principal Tim McDonough

After 35 years of service to the *East Side Union High School District*, it was announced that *Evergreen Valley High School Principal Tim McDonough* will be retiring at the end of the school year. We would like to thank *Tim* for his contributions to the District.

★ Certificated Transfers Request Forms

The *Certificated Transfer Request Forms* will be sent to all bargaining unit members early next week. Certificated bargaining unit members are requested to submit their forms to *Human Resources* by **April 7, 2006**. The contractual deadline is **May 1**, however, we are requesting early notification for planning purposes.

★ Santa Clara County Office of Education Recruitment Fair

On **March 18, 2006** from **9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**, the *Santa Clara County Office of Education* will be hosting their annual recruitment fair. The *District* will be sending six to seven site and *District* administrators to meet and interview perspective new teachers.

★ W.C. Overfelt High School

Congratulations to the students, staff and administration of *W.C. Overfelt High School*. *Overfelt* has shown an increase in their *Academic Performance Index (API)* for the sixth consecutive year. The last two years it has shown significant growth including an increase of **21 points** for the 2004-2005 school year! In addition to making the school wide **21 point API** growth, the *Latino* students at *Overfelt* exceeded their target goal and made an incredible **30 point growth**.

*W.C. Overfelt High School* was also recently recognized as an *AVID National Certified School*. This status is awarded to *AVID* sites for their hard work. *AVID, PUENTE and CAMELOT* are outstanding programs that have contributed to student success.

Sincerely,

*Bob Nuñez, Superintendent*