



DAVIS SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

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Every Child Deserves an Excellent Public Education

WHAT IS THE DSF?

The Davis Schools Foundation is a non-profit 501c3 organization dedicated toward raising funds for the Davis Joint Unified School District. Every parent with a child enrolled in the Davis school district is a member of the Davis Schools Foundation and has a stake in its success.

The foundation is run by an all-volunteer executive board whose members come from all walks of life but share a common thread: all are interested in preserving educational excellence for all children in Davis' K-12 public schools.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- ⌘ Donate to the foundation's "Dollar a Day" fundraising campaign. Your tax-deductible donation helps ensure the Davis school district remains exceptional. Check with your employer to see if they have a matching fund plan – many companies do.
- ⌘ Encourage friends, neighbors and relatives – whether they have students in Davis or not – to consider donating to the Davis Schools Foundation. Excellent public schools make this a better community for everybody and help preserve home value for homeowners.
- ⌘ Visit our web site: <http://www.davisschoolsfoundation.org/> for more information.

DID YOU KNOW?

- ⌘ The Davis Schools Foundation supports all schools in the Davis Joint Unified School District: Birch Lane, Cesar Chavez, Fairfield, Korematsu, Montgomery, North Davis, Patwin, Pioneer, Valley Oak* and Willett elementary schools; Emerson, Harper, and Holmes junior high schools; and Da Vinci, DSIS, King and Davis Senior high schools.
- ⌘ Since its formation in 2005, the Davis Schools Foundation has contributed over \$169,000 to the school district.

WHY DONATE TO THE DSF?

- ⌘ The Davis Joint Unified School District encourages individuals, organizations and businesses to donate to the Davis Schools Foundation rather than to the school district itself because the foundation is equipped to handle many individual donations and combine them into the large amounts necessary to sustain vital programs and positions. To this end, the foundation is better able to solicit, fundraise and track donations and pool many small donations into meaningful amounts necessary to save threatened programs and positions.
- ⌘ The Davis Schools Foundation solicits community input on what programs to fund and specifies to the school district exactly how those funds should be used.
- ⌘ The foundation encourages everyone to donate to both PTAs and the foundation. The Davis Schools Foundation was created to fund vital programs for the entire school district. PTAs fundraise to pay for site-specific needs that vary school by school. Together, these two organizations can meet both district-wide and school-specific needs.
- ⌘ California's spending per student falls below the national average, and is at least \$4,000 less per student per year than New York. The quality of public school education in California continues to be undermined by cutbacks in federal and state spending for public education.

- ⌘ The DJUSD is currently facing a \$4 million deficit and many of our prized programs and teaching positions face elimination.
- ⌘ Virtually all of the contributions made to the foundation go directly to school programs and to fund school positions. The foundation has no paid staff and all DSF board members are volunteers. Most professional services (such as accounting, web design, graphic design and event planning) have been donated by community professionals. Additionally, in-kind donations have kept event expenses low.

OUR MISSION

The Davis Schools Foundation's mission is to support excellence in Davis public schools by raising funds for district-wide programs and promoting equitable opportunities among our schools. DSF raises money within the community to insulate our public schools from fluctuations in both California's economy and our own student enrollment; and decreased government funding.

VISION

The Davis Schools Foundation serves as the bridge uniting the Davis Joint Unified School District, parents, local businesses, and the community-at-large to provide a world-class educational program that produces well-rounded children with a lifelong love for learning.

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The Davis Schools Foundation provides donors with the opportunity to support excellence throughout our school district by making tax-deductible donations. Financial contributions can be made through monthly or quarterly pledges, memorial gifts, employer matched funds and gifts in kind. Donations of stocks, bonds and mutual funds are also welcome.

The Davis Schools Foundation works closely with other groups that also seek to enhance educational opportunities in the Davis public school system, including, but not limited to:

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| ⌘ Parent Teacher Associations (PTAs) | ⌘ Community and Business Leaders |
| ⌘ School Site Councils (SSCs) | ⌘ Other non-profit organizations |
| ⌘ Teachers and Administrators | |