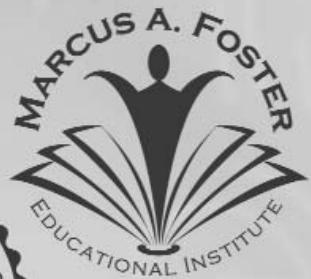


PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY

Lakeside Park Garden Center
February 10, 2005



HEROES

Imagine you are a child peering down the hallway of your school. As you look out you see your neighbor sitting on the floor reading with another child, someone from a local business putting up a new bulletin board, or a family member talking with a teacher. You are not surprised to see them because people are always helping at your school. You know education is important, not just because your community tells you that it is, but because they also show you how important it is by volunteering. Volunteering in Oakland's public schools shows children that you value their education and that you value them. HEROES offers lots of ways for you to volunteer in Oakland's public schools.

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The Marcus A. Foster Educational Institute (the Institute) was established in 1973 by the OUSD Superintendent for whom the organization was later named. The Institute was the first local education fund in the country. The Institute has worked for 31 years to carry out Dr. Foster's vision to develop relationships and mobilize resources that create opportunities for all children in Oakland public schools to achieve excellence. The Institute provides grants to teachers, scholarships to graduating seniors, grants to students, computers to students and families, and acknowledges distinguished educators. The Institute is committed to move forward in accordance with Dr. Foster's legacy by greeting the challenges ahead with clarity of vision, boldness, and necessary risks in promoting and supporting excellence in education, knowing that only with the broadest support from the various sectors of the community, will success be achieved.

Oakland Unified School District

The Oakland Unified School District (OUSD) is California's eleventh largest school district with roughly 45,000 students and 2,650 teachers. OUSD has 124 schools, including 20 charter schools. Despite gains in academic achievement, financial crisis led to state takeover of the District in 2003 and the appointment of State Administrator Dr. Randolph Ward. Dr. Ward has decreased OUSD's operating expenditures by over \$17 million, while sustaining academic improvement that has surpassed the state's averages for the 2003-04 school year. Notwithstanding these gains, OUSD continues to face substantial academic and financial challenges. As required in the legislation authorizing state takeover of the District (Senate Bill 39), Dr. Ward and OUSD staff are preparing to unveil a Multi-Year Fiscal Recovery Plan which details the strategies being employed to restore financial solvency while simultaneously building on recent gains in academic achievement.

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11:30 am - Noon Registration

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Anthony Chabot Elementary School

One Question/One Observation Individual Table Discussions

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This year's event presented two challenges, 1) to secure a "principal for a day" for every Oakland public school and 2) to serve as the "kick-off" to the District's Adopt-A-School campaign. That challenge was exceeded by the competent services of Karen Y. Stevenson, Principal of Core Communications and Alana Ross, ARC Services. The Institute extends its deepest gratitude to them for producing a quality event that we hope will foster long-term relationships between Oakland schools and business and community leaders.

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