



PROGRAM OVERVIEW

K-12 Education Seminar

November 20, 2008

San Diego Zoo's Treetops/High Tech High Community

SETTING THE STAGE:

The *New Urban High School Project (NUHS)*, was an initiative of the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Vocational and Adult Education, 1996-99. The aim was to select, study, and assist six inner-city high schools that were using school-to-work strategies, such as internships and other forms of field work, as a lever for whole-school change. The findings were summarized in a practitioner's guide and a high school planning guide centered on six design principles. Responding directly to the needs of students, these principles connect to the broad mission of preparation for the adult world. Moreover, these principles call for structures and practices that traditional schools do not routinely employ.

K-12 EDUCATION PROGRAM SNAPSHOT:

The Numbers Tell The Story

- Sally Bennett-Schmidt, Director, Assessment Learning Resources & Educational Technology, San Diego County Office of Education

Personalization, Adult World Connection, and Common Intellectual Mission...

- Kay Davis, Former Trustee, San Diego Unified School District & Board Secretary, High Tech High, HTH Learning and HTH Foundation
- Jed Wallace, Chief Operating Officer, High Tech High

Conflict Resolution: A Demonstration by 2nd Graders at Explorer Elementary Charter School, Partner of High Tech High Learning

- Facilitator: Jill Green, Principal, Explorer Elementary

Responding Directly To The Needs of Students: A Sharecase of the Work at High Tech High Small Group Tours led by School Directors and HTH Students

High Tech High began in 2000 as a single charter high school launched by a coalition of San Diego business leaders and educators. It has evolved into a school development organization with a growing portfolio of innovative charter schools spanning grades K-12. HTH combats the twin problems of student disengagement and low academic achievement by creating personalized, project-based learning environments where all students are known well and challenged to meet high expectations.

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LAUNCHING THE CORE'S SERVICE LEARNING INITIATIVE:

Leadership Action Team Partner Presentations

Learn, Experience, and Leave a Footprint

- John de Miranda, Stepping Stone
- Colin Matthewson, City Heights Farmers' Market
- Alex Mazloom, Mind Treasures
- Kim Morgan, YMCA Youth & Family Services
- Manuel Rubio (06), Urban Corps of San Diego County
- Freda Statom, KIPP (Knowledge Is Power Program) *Adelante* Preparatory Academy

Who, What & Whys of the Leadership Action Team Project Selections

A few words from the LAT Selection Committee Representatives

- Jason Bowser (07), YMCA Youth & Family Services
- Scott Brown (07), KIPP *Adelante* Preparatory Academy
- Darlene Dornan (06), Urban Corps of San Diego County
- Jonathan Grissom (04), Mind Treasures
- Heather Haltaufderheide (08), Stepping Stone
- D. Todd Philips (06), City Heights Farmers' Market

TEAM BUILDING

San Diego Zoo Scavenger Hunt ~ Facilitated by Kathy Myers (08)

TIMING OF THE DAY:

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| 7:30 | <i>Network & Continental Breakfast</i> |
| 8:00 | <i>Welcome & Program Overview</i> |
| 8:15 | <i>Sponsor Welcome</i> |
| 8:25 | <i>San Diego Zoo Scavenger Hunt</i> |
| 10:00 | <i>The Numbers Tell The Story</i> |
| 10:50 | BREAK |
| 11:00 | <i>Launching The Core's Service Learning Initiative</i> |
| NOON | LUNCH & Leadership Action Team Presentations <i>(continued)</i> |
| 1:00-1:15 | LOAD BUS & DEPART |
| 1:30 | <i>Personalization, Adult World Connection, and Common Intellectual Mission...</i> |
| 2:15 | <i>Conflict Resolution: A Demonstration</i> |
| 2:40 | <i>Responding Directly To The Needs of Students: A Sharecase of the Work at High Tech High</i> |
| 3:20 | <i>Debrief & Q/A with Education Experts</i> |
| 4:30 | LOAD BUS & DEPART |
| 4:45-5:00 | <i>Class Wrap-Up & Adjourn</i> |

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