

## **Welcome to Our First Newsletter!**

## From Our Executive Director

Dear {{ contact.FIRSTNAME }},

Welcome to the first edition of our newsletter! I am delighted to connect with you this way. I joined Education Alliance as Executive Director this past November and it has been a rewarding adventure so far!

You are receiving this because you understand the critical role public education plays in Northern Nevada. Your time, financial contributions, and demonstrated community support of students and educators makes a big impact on our collective future. Thank you!

As part of the team, we aim to keep you informed. We'll share new and persistent needs, celebrate wins, and highlight partners making profound differences for our students and educators.

I encourage you to reach out and share your thoughts, ideas, and feedback with us. Your insights are invaluable as we move forward!!



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## **Program & Events**



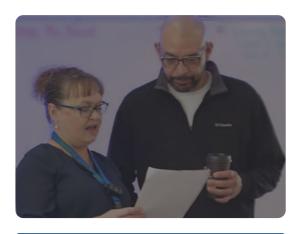
AN EVENING OF PURE IMAGINATION



CARING FOR CLASSROOMS



PARTNERS IN EDUCATION



PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY

## An Evening of Pure Imagination

## Join Us

## Saturday September 21, 2024 6:00 pm Eldorado Convention Center

You are cordially invited to An Evening of Pure Imagination. Click below for tickets, tables, and sponsorship opportunities. Proceeds support Caring for Classrooms and will benefit WCSD students.

Our focus this year is student engagement. With your help, we will increase schools' capacity to offer more for students like art programs, intramural sports, gardening clubs and robotics teams. These experiences make school more inviting and students who participate in these types of programs are three times more likely to graduate.

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS

## **Caring for Classrooms**

Thanks to your support we awarded \$164,000 to WCSD schools to address underfunded needs.

"We were able to cut testing time in half thanks to the Caring for Classrooms funding because students no longer had to share devices."

Amanda McWilliams, Principal Hunter Lake Elementary School

"The Sensory learning materials we purchased with Caring for Classrooms funds transformed our ability to instruct our students impacted by autism. One student went from being able to spend one minute of instruction time in a



These are just a few examples of how Caring for Classroom funding has helped our schools. Education Alliance has worked closely with WCSD educators and our community to determine our focus for this year. We believe the best way to help our students right now is to focus on assisting schools with student engagement. This means more before, after and lunchtime opportunities to connect with students through clubs, sports, tutoring and more.

## **Partners in Education**





#### **Charles River Labs**

Charles River Laboratories donated \$25,000 to support health science programs in Washoe County School District. Spanish Springs and Reed High School were both presented with checks for \$12,500. "By partnering with local high schools and universities, we can showcase to students the career opportunities that exist for them right here in Northern Nevada," said Danielle Brown, General Manager of Charles River Laboratories. Reed High School used the donation to purchase supplies for their biotechnology and healthcare-simulated workplaces, and items for certifying students in Healthcare Provider Basic Life Support and Nurse Assisting. Spanish Springs High School will purchase materials for hands-

on activities like dissections and functioning kidney models. Thank you, Charles River Laboratories for preparing the next generation of innovators!

#### Watch Video Now





### **Redfield Community Outreach Program**

Through the generosity of the Nell J. Redfield Foundation and with the collaboration of the Education Alliance, three Redfield community outreach program Facilitators schedule and coordinate experiential learning activities for twelve selected Washoe County schools. This program plays a vitally important role in providing impactful educational experiences to WCSD students. Thank you, Nell J. Redfield Foundation!

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#### **Greater Nevada Credit Union**

Greater Nevada Credit Union will gather new school supplies for the Teachers' Warehouse in anticipation of the 2024-2025 school year. The 2024 Greater School Supplies Drive will take place from Monday, June 3rd to Friday, August 2nd, 2024. New and used kids' and children's books will also be collected for students in partnership with Spread the Word, Nevada.

Please bring donations to the following Greater Nevada Credit Union locations:

- Golden Valley 1095 N Hills Blvd, Reno
- Northwest Reno 5150 Mae Anne Ave Suite 203 Reno
- South Reno 6745 Sierra Center Pkwy Reno
- University Branch 1385 N Virginia St Suite 105 Reno
- Spanish Springs 1101 Los Altos Pkwy Sparks
- Vista 120 Salomon Ct Sparks

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# Thank you for helping us bring Principal For a Day back for the first time since 2020!

- 150+ community and WCSD leaders participated
- 75 WCSD schools/district sites including Natchez and all incline schools were visited
- Strong involvement from members of Northern Nevada Latino Stakeholders Council



Washoe County Commissioner Mariluz Garcia visited Principal Amanda Schlatter at Bernice Mathews Elementary School. They formed a great partnership and worked together to host a free community bike event in April with Truckee Meadows Bicycle Alliance.

#### Learn More



Washoe County District
Attorney Chris Hicks was
Principal For a Day at Alice
Maxwell Elementary with
Principal Colleen Winter. As a
way to keep in touch and learn
more about the District
Attorney and his job,

Maxwell students have been submitting their inquiries to his office. Check out the <u>video series</u> to hear their hard-hitting questions like, "Are you afraid of the dark?" and "Do you have a boss?"



Join us in making a difference! The Education Alliance of Washoe County, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, relies on your generosity to uplift public education. Your contribution today will create a brighter future for our students.







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