



DEER VALLEY
Unified School District

**Deer Valley Unified School District
Business & Community Partners Meeting
August 17, 2017 7:30 – 9:00 a.m.**

Welcome

Monica Allread, Director, Communications & Community Engagement

#Extraordinary Achievements

Love Our Schools Day

Tracey Beal, www.schoolconnectaz.org

Partnership Spotlight

Jane Dobbs, CEO, Canyon State Credit Union
Brian Jacobs, Barry Goldwater High School

Meet Our New Superintendent

Curtis Finch, PhD, Twitter: @DrFinchDVUSD

What I did on Summer Vacation!

Upcoming Events & Door Prizes & Networking

Thank you for attending today, and thanks to Boosterthon for sponsoring our breakfast!

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The DVUSD mission is to provide extraordinary educational opportunities to every learner.



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Dates to Remember

Business & Community Partner Meetings

At each meeting, you will have an opportunity to network with principals and PTA/PTO reps, hear about fulfilling partnership opportunities, and enjoy tasty food!

- **Thursday, November 2, 2017 at 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.**
- **Friday March 9, 2018 at 7:30 – 9 a.m.**

New Partner Orientation Meetings

These meetings are intended as one-time introduction meetings for new Business & Community Partners or those who would like to expand their partnerships.

- **August 30, 2017 at 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.**
- **September 20, 2017 at 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.**
- **October 18, 2017 at 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.**
- **November 29, 2017 at 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.**
- **January 31, 2018 at 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.**
- **February 21, 2018 at 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.**

More information and a link to RSVP can be found at: [**www.dvusd.org/partner**](http://www.dvusd.org/partner)



Deer Valley Unified School District Strategic Planning Focus Groups

DVUSD is gathering input from ***all stakeholders*** in support of crafting a refined strategic plan to achieve our vision and exceed organizational goals through 2023. The strategic planning process includes examining current status, engaging stakeholders, prioritizing objectives, and implementing a strategically aligned plan throughout the district. Students, staff, parents, business partners, and community members are invited to attend a focus group session to help shape the future of Deer Valley Unified School District as we strive to graduate lifelong learners who will successfully compete, lead, and positively impact the world.

Dates, Times, and Locations	
Wednesday, 10/11/17, (GBR-East, 4:30-5:30 pm)	Wednesday, 1/17/18, (GBR-Central, 9:30-10:30 am)
Wednesday, 11/8/17, (GBR-West, 4:30-5:30 pm)	Thursday, 2/22/18, (GBR-Central, 4:30-5:30 pm)
Wednesday, 1/17/18, (GBR-Central, 8:00-9:00 am)	Saturday, 3/10/18, (GBR-West, 1:00-2:00 pm)
GBR- Governing Board Room located at: 20402 N. 15 th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85027	

Please click on the link below to select the session of your choice:

<https://goo.gl/forms/6gLGvKHC63F0KHcw2>

If you are unable to attend a focus group but would still like to offer input and feedback, please click on the following link.

<https://url.dvUSD.org/470dcbac>

Please contact jean.koeppen@dvUSD.org if you require additional information.

How can you make a lasting difference in your community? It starts with your local school.

LOVE OUR SCHOOLS DAY: 2017

→ **September 30th**
October 14th (Peoria and Deer Valley)

Join members of your community to
serve a school in your neighborhood

Check our website to sign up today:

schoolconnectaz.org

Plant a Garden | Paint a Classroom | Write Teachers Thank You Cards | Update School Grounds

WE LOVE SCHOOLS

We all want our schools to thrive and our children to experience the best education available. By performing simple acts like cleaning, landscaping, and writing notes of encouragement, we can do our part to make our schools and neighborhoods a better place!

LET'S GET STARTED

LOVE OUR SCHOOLS DAY is a community wide initiative bringing together volunteers from the business, faith, and non-profit sectors to complete hundreds of service projects at local schools around the valley all in the same day!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

We believe that serving others is one of the most impactful ways to transform our communities. By serving in our local schools, we can make a major impact on the education system in Arizona, and in our own neighborhoods.

DETAILS

September 30, 2017
October 14, 2017 (Deer Valley & Peoria)
8 AM – NOON

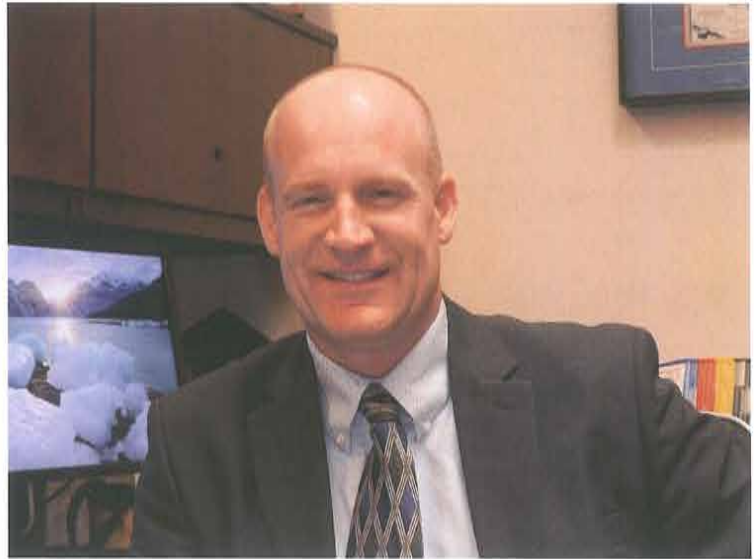


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Today's Guest Speaker:

**New DVUSD
Superintendent**

**Dr. Curtis
Finch**



Dr. Curtis Finch is Deer Valley Unified School District's new Superintendent. He began serving our community in July of this year. Prior to that, he was Superintendent of Mecosta Osceola ISD in Big Rapids, Michigan.

Curt's quest for educational excellence began at an early age in Alaska with his mother as a school bus driver and father as the school district's maintenance director; the school system was the center of the community. As a young adult, he utilized the long summer days to skipper a commercial fishing boat, work construction, and mine gold to pay for his college education. He received a BA in Secondary Mathematics, a MA in Administration, and a PhD in Education. He has spent 24 years in administration at the Middle School, High School, Superintendent, and ISD levels. He has received two state Winner's Circle awards and a Region III Superintendent of the Year award.

The past eighteen years as a Superintendent has afforded Curt opportunities to shape educational issues, testifying before the Michigan Legislature, the FCC in Washington DC, and serving on local, state, and national committees. He has also passed multiple school levies, recently securing a \$40 million Special Education Enhancement Millage and later creating Mecosta Technical College for vocationally training adults.

Dr. Finch is married to Angie and has a daughter who is a math professor and a son who is completing his eye doctor residency.



Thanks to Boosterthon for sponsoring our breakfast today!



Are you interested in becoming a sponsor? We need sponsors for:

- Future Business & Community Partner Meetings
- Door prizes for future Business & Community Partner Meetings
- PTA/PTO Presidents monthly luncheon
- Door prizes for PTA/PTO Presidents monthly luncheon
- DVUSD Employee Recognition Program
- Employee Retirement Reception
- And Much More!

Depending on the sponsorship, sponsors may receive recognition at events, in newsletters, and on school marquees. They may be able to distribute flyers to event attendees, and sometimes have the opportunity to speak at events about their business or organization.

If you are interested in learning more about the sponsorship opportunities available in DVUSD, visit:

www.dvUSD.org/sponsor



Building Community Partnerships

1. Expand Your Vision of School to Include Community

Need to find ways to connect core curriculum beyond the classroom by attracting the right people and asking the right questions.

2. Reach Out to All Stakeholders

Share your dreams for enhanced community-school partnerships, ask people what matters to them, ask them how they might help, and show them your passion. Deliver them an open invitation to reconnect, collaborate and share their experience, skills and time to make a difference.

3. Create a Community Resource Map

Visual representation of your community and the various skills people have to offer is a super way to understand what community resources are available. If you build one, also point out the materials people can supply at cost or for free, the time they can invest in projects, and how they can connect to curriculum, and classroom activities. Include the networks they can utilize to raise awareness of the needs of local children and families, and always promote and foster resource-sharing and collaboration.

4. Connect with Curriculum

Find ways to work with local businesses and subject matter experts to connect core curriculum to the outside world and design engaging learning experiences in and out of the classroom.

5. A Design Challenge for the Community

A creative process that helps you design meaningful solutions in the classroom, at your school, and in your community.

Many of today's leaders in education, business and community development are coming to realize schools alone cannot prepare our youth for productive adulthood. It is evident schools and communities should work closely with each other to meet their mutual goals.

School-community partnerships can interconnect together many resources and strategies to enhance communities that support all youth and their families. They could improve schools, strengthen neighborhoods and lead to a noticeable reduction in young people's problems. Building such partnerships requires visioning, strategic planning, creative leadership and new multifaceted roles for professionals who work in schools and communities.

Possible Partnerships

- Automotive Parts & Accessories
- Insurance
- Professional Services
- Restaurants
- Department Stores
- Tax Preparation
- Hotels & Motels
- Auto Repair
- Locksmiths & Keymakers
- Convenience Stores
- Investments & Securities
- Attorneys
- Pharmacies & Drug Stores
- Personal Services
- Dentists
- Arts & Entertainment
- Home Goods
- Optometrists
- Technology Companies
- Restaurants
- Consulting Services
- Office Supplies
- Home Improvement Supplies
- Office Furniture
- Hardware
- General Contractors
- Printing Services

If you would like to discuss further or if I can be of any assistance, please feel free to contact me!



Jane Dobbs
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Schools can benefit from the support and expertise of local businesses, organizations, and individuals, and discover strategies for fostering successful business and community partnerships.

FAST FACTS

Governing Board Kimberly K. Fisher, MAFM, President
Jenny Frank, Vice President | Ann O'Brien
Ann Elizabeth Ordway | Darcy Tweedy

Superintendent Curtis Finch, PhD

By the Numbers

367 square miles, serving Phoenix, Glendale, Peoria, Anthem, New River, Cave Creek and unincorporated areas of Maricopa County.

34,005 K-12 Students **1,301** Pre-School Students

3,950 Employees
• Student to Teacher Ratio: 18.2:1

13 National Board Certified Teachers

38 Schools

- **15** K-6 Schools
- **14** K-8 Schools
- **3** Middle Schools
- **5** High Schools
- **1** Alternative Campus

95%
Attendance Rate

95%
Graduation Rate

2:1
K-8 Student to
Computer Ratio

1:1
High School Student
to Computer Ratio

23 DVUSD AP Courses **34** DVUSD Dual Enrollment Courses
• 3,244 Students enrolled • 2,207 Students enrolled

200 Deer Valley Online Learning Program Courses Offered

Federal and State Grant Dollars **\$22,560,000**

Scholarship Offerings to Seniors in 2016 **\$53,273,319**

M & O Budget **\$200,208,000**

593 Business Partners Volunteers providing 143,969 Hours of work **11,809**

2.2 Million Miles Driven Annually with 225 Buses

3.6 Million Meals Served Annually



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FAST FACTS

*The **DVUSD Mission**
is to provide **extraordinary**
educational opportunities to every learner.*

Some of our #Extraordinary Programs:

Tech-rich Campuses at All 5 High Schools

Students receive district-owned iPads to use in class and at home in order to complete classwork, assessments, and projects to empower teachers and students to teach and learn in ways never before possible.

STEM Academy at Sierra Verde and Canyon Springs Schools

Exposes students to STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) labs, computer-aided design, robotics, and more.

Gifted Services at All Deer Valley Schools

A continuum of gifted services for students in grades PreK-12 through individualized learning, engaging instruction, and rigorous academic experiences, including the Bright Child program in preschool, Pre-Kindergarten, and Kindergarten; the Renaissance Highly Gifted academies at Canyon Springs and Highland Lakes schools; Cluster, pull-out, and enrichment programs at K-6 and K-8 schools; Advanced courses in middle school; and Honors, AP, and Dual Enrollment courses in high school.

Mandarin Chinese at Boulder Creek High School, Diamond Canyon, Desert Sage, and Gavilan Peak

This innovative program provides opportunities for Chinese language and culture instruction for PreK-12 students through partial immersion, special classes, as well as high school AP courses to enhance the future success of students in a global society.

International Baccalaureate: Middle Year Program at Paseo Hills School; Middle Year and Diploma Programs at Barry Goldwater High School

This challenging program addresses the academic needs of highly motivated students by providing international education and rigorous assessment. Students study a second language, humanities, sciences, mathematics, arts, and technology.

Air Force Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFJROTC) at Deer Valley and Sandra Day O'Connor High Schools

Students explore the intriguing world of civilian, industrial, and military aerospace science and enhance leadership abilities, develop life skills, and achieve self-reliance.

Career and Technical Education

CTE programs, available at all 5 high schools and at West-MEC, empower students to develop leadership, academic, and technical skills needed in the global economy. Signature programs are also offered on specific high school campuses for all DVUSD students, including:

- **Architectural Drafting, Culinary Arts, and Law Enforcement** at Barry Goldwater HS
- **Engineering** at Boulder Creek HS
- **Hospitality, Nursing, and Sports Medicine** at Deer Valley HS
- **Bioscience, Engineering, and Future Teachers Academy** at Mountain Ridge HS
- **Interior Architectural Design and Sports Medicine** at Sandra Day O'Connor HS