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- Identification
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**Today's Guest  
Speaker:  
Arizona  
Representative  
Heather Carter**



Representative Heather Carter is your state representative from North Phoenix, Cave Creek, and North Scottsdale.

Currently, Representative Carter is the Chairperson of the House Health Committee, and a member of the Appropriations Committee as well as a member of the Sub-Committee on Appropriations for Education.

First elected in 2010, she has a track record of sponsoring legislation that solves many of the complex problems facing Arizona, making her one of the most effective legislators at the Capitol. As your state legislator, she has worked to streamline government, improve the economy, encourage job creation, protect the most vulnerable, reform education and healthcare, while maintaining a balanced state budget through responsible spending measures.

For her work at the Capitol, Representative Carter has won a number of prestigious awards from education groups, veteran organizations, healthcare and patient advocacy groups, including many other "Legislator of the Year" honors.

In her professional life, she is a well-respected educational leader in her community, working as a clinical associate professor at Arizona State University, preparing teachers and leaders for Arizona Schools. She also works with local school districts on educational reform issues. She was a 7th grade teacher in the Paradise Valley Unified School District and currently serves as a parent/community representative on many committees for Cave Creek and Paradise Valley Unified School District and Paradise Valley Community College.

Since moving to Arizona over 25 years ago, she has devoted her professional life to making Arizona a quality place to live, learn, work and prosper. She moved to Arizona from Maryland to attend Arizona State University, where she graduated with a degree in communication. Following graduation, she worked for KOOL-FM, the Phoenix Suns and then pharmaceutical sales. For almost 20 years, Representative Carter has worked in education, and earned a master's degree in educational technology from ASU and a doctorate in educational leadership from NAU.

Married for over 20 years, Representative Carter and her husband reside in Cave Creek with their daughter, who attends public school in the Paradise Valley Unified School District.



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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!

- **Friday March 9, 2018 at 7:30 – 9 a.m.**

To receive information about these meetings, add your name to our mailing list, by visiting **[www.dvusd.org/PartnerEmailList](http://www.dvusd.org/PartnerEmailList)**

### **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.

- **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)**



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**Superintendent Curtis Finch, PhD**

## **CONVERSATIONS WITH CURT**

Join the conversation with Superintendent Dr. Curtis Finch during “Conversations with Curt” community forums held from Noon – 1 p.m. (unless otherwise indicated). These forums are open to all members of the community and feature a discussion of district-related topics. We value your input for these meetings. Please send any special topics you would like addressed directly to [superintendent@dvusd.org](mailto:superintendent@dvusd.org). Please note: no personnel issues will be discussed during the forum.

### **Date**

Wednesday, September 20, 2017  
Wednesday, September 27, 2017 at 9 – 10 a.m.  
  
Thursday, October 5, 2017  
Thursday, November 2, 2017  
Thursday, December 7, 2017  
Thursday, January 18, 2018  
Thursday, February 1, 2018  
Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at 6 – 7 p.m.  
  
Thursday, March 1, 2018  
Thursday, April 26, 2018

### **Location**

Stetson Hills School  
Elevate Coffee, 2350 W. Happy Valley Road  
(Shops at Norterra)  
Mountain Shadows Elementary School  
Barry Goldwater High School  
Arrowhead Elementary School  
Gavilan Peak School  
Greenbrier Elementary School  
Elevate Coffee, 2350 W. Happy Valley Road  
(Shops at Norterra)  
Norterra Canyon School  
Legend Springs Elementary School





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# CTE Program Guide

Preparing Students for World Class Careers

## Barry Goldwater High School

- Architectural Drafting\*
- Business Operations
- Culinary Arts\*
- Graphic Design
- Law Enforcement\*
- Marketing
- Media Productions
- Web Page Development

## Boulder Creek High School

- Animation
- Early Childhood Education
- Engineering\*
- Financial Services
- Graphic Design
- Media Productions
- Software Development

## Deer Valley High School

- Computer Science
- Digital Communications (Journalism)
- Graphic Design
- Hospitality\*
- Marketing
- Nursing\*
- Sports Medicine\*
- Stage Production

## Mountain Ridge High School

- Bioscience\*
- Digital Communications (Journalism)
- Early Childhood Education
- Engineering\*
- Future Teachers' Academy\*
- Graphic Design
- Marketing
- Media Productions
- Web Page Development

## Sandra Day O'Connor High School

- Accounting
- Early Childhood Education
- Digital Communications (Journalism)
- Graphic Design
- Interior Architectural Design\*
- Marketing
- Media Productions
- Sports Medicine\*
- Web Page Development

\* CTE Signature Programs

For more  
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**Career & Technical  
Education**

## West-MEC

Deer Valley is a member of West-MEC (Western Maricopa Education Center), a joint technical public school district that partners with districts offering expanded and innovative CTE central programs.

- Aesthetics
- Air Conditioning Technician
- Automotive Collision Technology
- Automotive Technology
- Aviation Maintenance Technology
- Avionics/Electronics
- Coding
- Cosmetology
- Dental Assisting
- Electrical Trade Specialties
- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)
- Energy and Industrial Technology
- Fire Science
- General Construction Technology
- IT Security
- Law, Public Safety and Security
- Massage Therapy
- Medical Assisting
- Medium/Heavy Diesel Technology
- Pharmacy Technician
- Physical Therapy Technician
- Plumbing Trade Specialties
- Precision Machining
- Veterinary Sciences
- Welding Technology



**Empowering  
Success**

**Career and Technical Education Programs (CTE)** provide students with the rigorous, content-aligned academic standards necessary to prepare students to succeed in today's global economy. Students have opportunities to develop specialized skills in high school and apply their academic knowledge in industry settings.

To view complete course descriptions, visit [www.dvUSD.org/cte](http://www.dvUSD.org/cte)

**CTE Signature Programs** are highly specialized programs offered on specific high school campuses but open to any DVUSD high school student interested in enrolling.

**CTE Central Programs** offered by West-MEC are held at various sites and not on a DVUSD high school campus. Visit [www.west-mec.org](http://www.west-mec.org) for more information.

**College/Career Readiness** Research shows that high school students who graduate with career and technical education classes are 2 ½ times more likely to be employed while pursuing post secondary education.

**Internships** Learning is not limited to the classroom. Internship opportunities are a supervised work-based learning experience in a position within the program of study. The CTE internship provides on the job experience and valuable industry networking.

**Dual Enrollment** CTE students may earn college credit for courses taken in their high school setting. Dual enrollment courses are offered at the high school and taught by high school teachers with community college certification and earn students both high school credit and college credit. CTE dual enrolled classes are listed in the Academic Planning Guide.



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**Deer Valley Unified School District  
Business & Community Partners Meeting  
November 2, 2017 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.**

**Agenda**

**Networking**

**Welcome & Celebrations**

**Monica Allread**

Communications & Community Engagement

**Career & Technical Education (CTE)**

**Jayne Fitzpatrick**

CTE Manager

**Deer Valley Education Foundation (DVEF)**

**Marie Brennan**

Executive Director, DVEF

**Partnership Spotlight & Table Talk**

**You!**

**Guest Speaker**

**Representative Heather Carter**

Arizona State Legislature

**Upcoming Events/Door Prizes**

**Networking**

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***DVEF's Mission:***

*To enhance and promote extraordinary educational opportunities in the Deer Valley School District*

Each year, the Deer Valley Education Foundation raises funds for educational enrichment programs for the students and teachers of the Deer Valley School District. Because of programs we fund, students are presented with science challenges and math projects, reading competitions, doors are opened to music appreciation, art is showcased, and history is brought alive for thousands of students in our Deer Valley Schools. Future astronauts and pilots attend Space Camp through our scholarships and high schoolers interested in the health care field are offered dual enrollment scholarships. We have health programs including wellness education. We also honor our teachers and nurses each year with our Teacher of the Year and Nurse of the Year celebrations.

For over 30 years, The Deer Valley Education Foundation has enriched the educational experience in Deer Valley School District classrooms. Schools do not receive state or federal funding for classroom pilot projects or expanding programs, nor is there money for rewarding teachers for the outstanding dedication they exhibit to our children. These are part of the experiences we add to the District.

We do what we can to raise the standards of education within our community to support programs that strengthen our children's educational experience, not only by supporting their academic adventures, but also helping to build their character. Our goal is to meet the needs of every child in every school.

Many businesses throughout our community partner with The Deer Valley Education, including employee matching programs. DVUSD employees contribute to the Foundation through payroll deductions. We are a United Way participant (write in agency code #836) and contributions can be designated to the DVUSD school of your choice. We also have an annual golf fundraiser and auction. We are partners with Get Away Today Travel Service (see our website for booking information), and of course we accept contributions and bequests and legacy gifts.

Please see our website at [www.dvef.org](http://www.dvef.org) or contact us at (623) 445-5012 or e-mail at [marie.brennan@dvusd.org](mailto:marie.brennan@dvusd.org) for additional information.

*~ See reverse side for some of DVEF's latest accomplishments ~*





## ***A Few of DVEF's Latest Accomplishments:***

### **DVEF Science Center – FOSS Kits**

DVEF funded \$30,000 to the Deer Valley District for FOSS kits. FOSS Science kits are distributed to teachers to help them with hands-on science lessons. The FOSS Program bridges research and practice by providing tools and strategies to engage students and teachers in enduring experiences that lead to deeper understanding of the natural and designed worlds. This makes DVEF's total funding for FOSS kits \$60,000.

### **Impact Grants**

DVEF is able to fund Impact grants of up to \$500 to teachers from all our schools. These grants impact thousands of our students. Teachers report increased reading, math, and science skills as a result of these grants. Students, age Kindergarten through High School are challenged with "out of the box" learning opportunities. Art is brought back to some classrooms, students learn math through quilting, newspapers are published in Middle Schools, and High School special needs students learn interviewing and life skills. A couple of schools even enhanced their PE programs thanks to these grants. These grants total about \$10,000 to \$12,000 per year.

### **STEM College Scholarship / College Bound Student Dual Enrollment / AP Scholarship Program**

Through funding, DVEF was able to once again provide a one-time \$2,000 scholarship to a high school student who is enrolled in an accredited 4-year college/university in the fall pursuing a degree in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math. Also, our Dual Enrollment, Healthcare and AP Test Scholarship Program provided a total of over \$10,000 to students from all 5 of our high schools to cover the fees for their Advanced Placement tests, healthcare CTE courses, and/or college classes while attending high school (dual enrollment classes). These scholarships are offered to students interested in pursuing a health care career. They covered student's cost of the program plus text books if applicable. To qualify to apply, students must be a high school junior or senior, have an interest in pursuing a health care and exhibit financial need.

### **Teachers / 1<sup>st</sup> Year Teacher / Administrator / School Nurse of the Year**

DVEF honored 15 DVUSD seasoned teachers, 2 first year teachers, and 2 National Board Certified teachers for DVEF's Teachers of the Year and Rookie of the Year Program. These teachers were honored at a very special celebration and dinner that they will remember for the rest of their lives. In past years, several of our teachers ranked as a top 10 Arizona Teacher of the Year finalist.

### **DVEF Battle of the Books**

DVEF implemented and funded with the help of grants and donations, DVEF Battle of the Books. Battle of the Books is an extra-curricular reading incentive competition for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Forming teams of up to three, students read four preselected books every quarter for a total of 12 books a year. The team from each school with the highest cumulative points advance to the District competition, and then an inter-district competition. Ten teams from eight schools participated in year 1. This year (year 5) we have over 240 teams from 27 schools participating. This year alone, DVEF purchased over \$9,000 in books for our school libraries thanks to this program! Our District battle winners who went on to compete against other Districts in May tied for third place, going into the tie-break round with a perfect score.

### **Space Camp Scholarships**

Two DVUSD middle school "future astronaut" blasted off to Space Academy in Huntsville, Alabama in July as recipients of DVEF's Space Camp scholarships. Applicants submitted an essay to The Deer Valley Education Foundation outlining "Why I Want to Attend Space Academy." Semi-finalists were interviewed by an independent panel of judges.

### **DVEF Legacy Health Clinic / Diabetic Supplies**

The Deer Valley Education Foundation has secured funding for the DVEF Legacy Health Clinic at Sunrise Elementary School. This clinic offers basic primary care services to children ages 2 to 18 who do not have medical insurance and provides a variety of services such as well child appointments, diagnostic and treatment of major and minor illnesses, physical exams, and dental services.

DVEF has also supplied all school nurses with diabetic supplies for all DVUSD schools.

### **Weekend Snack Pack Program**

DVEF also secured funding for WEEKEND SNACK PACKS for Constitution Elementary School students. Every Friday, a supply of food goes home with 100 to 125 students so they are guaranteed to have food over the weekend. We are working on funding so other Title I schools could also have this opportunity for their students in need.

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Each year, thanks to partners like you, The Deer Valley Education Foundation puts over 2,000 books into the school libraries, provides reading programs to schools, brings science and music to classrooms, sends students to Space Camp, and honors outstanding teachers. DVEF Classroom Impact Grants touch over 3,000 students annually.

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