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RAISING HOPE FOR LITERACY



Former SBUSD Board of Education member Kate Parker addresses the crowd at the Hope Awards.

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THE HOPE AWARDS SHINES ITS LIGHT ON LITERACY

Every year, the Hope Awards highlights programs benefiting local students and draws the community's attention to what still needs to be done. This year we continued to focus on programs and individuals who have championed literacy for public schools.



(Left) DPHS Principal Bill Wordard tries culinary faire from SMHS culinary students. (Right) Marianne Strange with SBUSD literacy specialists Anne Darga and Melissa Garcia. (Lower) Ellen Barger, Annette Cordero, Luz Reyes-Martin, Sholeh Jahangir, and Rose Munoz.



The Dos Pueblos High School A Cappella Choir perform during the reception.

Two years ago, the Santa Barbara Unified School District launched a pilot program to deliver essential intervention for 28 struggling readers at Harding Elementary School. The results from the intensive intervention program yielded such impressive results that SBUSD expanded the program to see if the results could be duplicated at other schools. Since then the Literacy Project has expanded to two more elementary schools and there are plans to expand to additional school sites next year.

SBUSD Literacy Specialists Claire Krock, Anne Darga, and Melissa Garcia shared student success stories and how the program has positively changed the schools' learning culture beyond the pilot program's students.

We are excited to report the HOPE Awards raised over \$42,000 in support of further expanding the Literacy Project!



(Left) HOPE Awards honoree Paul Orfalea. (Right) California State Assemblymember Monique Limón introducing honoree Kate Parker.

This year's Hope Awards honorees were former Santa Barbara Unified School District Board of Education member, Kate Parker and philanthropist and entrepreneur, Paul Orfalea.

During his acceptance speech, Orfalea shared how his own frustrating experiences with dyslexia affected his attitude towards school. Luckily he was able to turn his learning difference into a superpower by combining his ability to creatively problem solve with his entrepreneurial spirit.

Kate Parker closed the evening with a thankful account of her work and the people who have helped her along the way. "We are all like our students: we keep learning, as much from our stumbles as our successes," said Parker. "So thanks to each and every one of you — the Hope Award is as much about you as about me."

For more photos from the Hope Awards, please visit sbefoundation.org/hope-awards.

NICK RAIL SUMMER BAND CAMP CELEBRATES 30 YEARS

When Nick Rail started his band camp in the summer of 1989 he wanted to give students a space to study music over the summer and ensure that it would be accessible to all students. In 2016, Nick trusted the Santa Barbara Education Foundation to take over the camp and uphold the values he had set in place. Even after 30 years, the camp continues to offer a fun music learning experience at an affordable price. Santa Barbara Education Foundation fundraises so that students can apply for scholarships to cover the majority of the cost of the camp.

Directed by Jocelyn Tipple, the camp provides kids ages 9-13 with an opportunity to take their first steps in becoming a musician or help polish their skills.

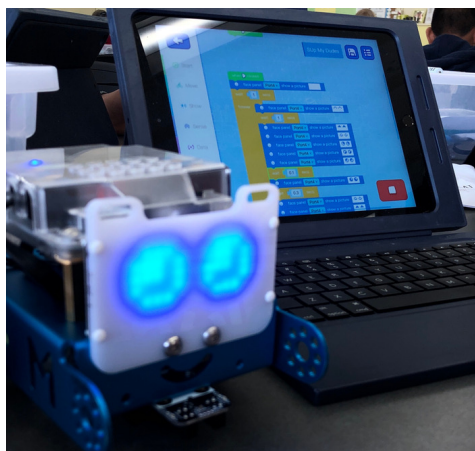


"I have watched music give kids survival skills that last a lifetime; giving voice to a non-verbal expression and illuminating individual learning styles through musical growth."

- Band Camp Director Jocelyn Tipple

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BUILDING STEAM THIS SUMMER



This summer, Santa Barbara Education Foundation is proud to introduce Summer STEAM Camps, innovative camps designed for junior high students to explore science, technology, engineering, art and math. The program consists of three classes that immerse campers in a collaborative learning environment while encouraging creative thinking and problem solving. Robotics Coding 1 introduces students to building and programming mBots and drones. In Robotics Coding 2 students teams take their building and coding to the next level by challenging each other to complete tasks with their robots. In Game Making in 3D and Virtual Reality students create their own video game while learning principles of game design, workflow, and levels using professional game design engines.

NEW THIS SUMMER: DRUMLINE CAMP



This year's newest program, Summer Drumline Camp, is the perfect chance to expose kids to different kinds of percussion instruments and develop proper playing techniques! The camp is open to incoming 6th-8th graders who will learn advanced rhythm reading and develop proper playing technique.

SWING INTO STRING CAMP

Now in its second year, Summer String Camp offers students an opportunity to fine tune skills in a fun and supportive environment. The Summer String Camp is open to students ages 9-14 with at least one year of experience on violin, viola, cello, or bass. The one week camp includes ensemble playing, music-based games, and lots of time spent playing their instrument.



For more information on all camps, visit sbefoundation.org.



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