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Tolleson Tidbits for Summer 2018

- **Summer School is in full swing with over 1,100 students attending programs at La Joya Community High School and Copper Canyon High School. Last summer we had 1,165 students enrolled in Session 1 and 1,203 students enrolled for Session 2. Summer School Principal, Nicole Baumgart, and Assistant Principals, John Rosenberger, Chris Williams and District Reading Coordinator, Dr. Felipe Baez, hired and trained over 40 staff members to lead programs that serve our students this summer.**
- **Recently, the West Valley View visited La Joya for their 3-A-Day pantry program, which the La Joya Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) has championed over the past year. Every Thursday during the school year, FBLA students gathered after school to pack food boxes for students in need. The school counselor, Ms. Vanessa Romo, then distributed the food boxes that included food for the weekend to selected students. The FBLA students never knew who the recipients of their food boxes were, but they continued to pack the boxes every Thursday regardless. The FBLA students also worked tirelessly to keep the food pantry fully stocked with non-perishable items, by either raising money to purchase the food or by doing food drives throughout the year.**
- **Ms. Tonya Lee, Athletic Assistant Principal at Westview High School, was interviewed by the West Valley View newspaper and spoke about a new grade-check system implemented throughout the district this year. The new system helps student athletes become eligible for their respective sports faster by getting their grades checked weekly, as opposed to the old system where students might be out four to six weeks before they were eligible to participate. Ms. Lee spearheaded a committee last year with Athletic Directors and stakeholders across the district to come up with a plan to support our student athletes and their eligibility. With the new system in place this year, student athletes are more motivated to get and keep their grades up so that they can be there for their teammates.**
- **Recently, students from the Westview High School Choir had an opportunity to visit New York City and actually perform in Carnegie Hall. It was an incredible experience for the 22 students who traveled to New York. This is the fifth time that Ms. Lori Dixon, Westview's Choral Director and Performing and Visual Arts Chair, has taken students to New York to perform festival music.**
- **The TUHSD Summer Food Service Program started on May 29th and will run through June 29th at La Joya Community High School and Copper Canyon. Breakfast and lunch are served each day with breakfast going from 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. and lunch from 11:05 a.m. – 12: 05 p.m. Meals will be at no cost for anyone under the age of 18.**

Congratulations to all of the students and staff who represent the Tolleson Union High School District with Pride!