

EAST HIGH SCHOOL

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EAST HIGH PRINCIPAL

What I have learned!

One year ago I shared 50 belief statements in an effort to allow the East High community to know who I was as I joined the community. One year later I'd like to share what I have learned about East High school, the students, the staff and community. It is not intended to be an exhaustive list, in fact it's a sampling. Hopefully it sheds some light on what a dynamic and inspiring school East High is.

I have learned that each day at East High School there will be a student being tube fed with staff dedicated to the goal of that student's growth, development and security when he leaves East High, and at the same time

I have learned that our kids believe East High's strength is diversity and tradition.

there are students preparing for careers, students learning English for the first time and students preparing to attend Harvard.

I have learned and am still learning about the depth of meaning of East Side Pride!

I have learned that when you meet a

graduate from years past, they might break into the pep song, and I need to have it memorized.

I have learned that there are experiences such as math modeling and the Smokey's field trip that provide opportunities for students they would not find at another school in the country.

I have learned that East High staff are brilliant, talented, caring, dedicated and devoted to East High School.

I have learned that 30 out of every 100 students move in or move out of East every year.

I have learned that not only can you find purple ties but they are often on sale.

I have learned that East High staff are brilliant, talented, caring, dedicated and devoted to East High School.

I have learned that both students and parents want and expect very high standards.

I have learned that we have some problems to solve.

I have learned that our TAG students not only achieve at high levels, there is a culture of community support among them that is truly special.

I have learned what a PURGOLDER is.

I have learned that we have many students and parents who are not connected.

I have learned that we need three million dollars to renovate our theater

EHS silent auction raises \$1,700

By Kristin Jones

Last month a silent auction and bake sale was held at East High School to benefit funding for theater renovations, with over fifty items to bid on, plus a wide array of desserts and drinks to purchase. The auction raised over \$1700.00 and donations are still coming! The night was an amazing success.

There were many different types of items, ranging from gift certificates for restaurants and businesses, gift baskets filled with everything from shampoo to cooking supplies, artwork done by students and adults, many pieces of homemade jewelry, and even autographed photographs from the cast of The West Wing. Good n Loud Music made a generous donation of a beautiful acoustic guitar to the auction. (There are two autographed pictures of Bradley Whitford still available. Please contact Kirsten Jones if you are

interested. 244-8208)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the businesses and individuals who donated products and services for the auction. Another thank you goes to those who attended and generously bid on the items, and those who were not able to attend but still sent in contributions.

A great deal still needs to be accomplished. The current price is quoted at \$1.85 million to complete the renovations, and will probably be increased to \$2 million as more time passes. We are a long way from our goal, but together we can make this happen! We can help East upgrade its theater! If you would still like to donate to the theater renovation fund, please make checks payable to the Foundation for Madison's Public Schools. Checks can be mailed to Kirsten Jones at 3617 Cascade Rd. Madison, WI 53704.



East Side Pride - Own It!



so that the venue matches the talent that performs there every school year.

I have learned that I have a lot to learn.

I have learned that we can get some great positive press about our kids.

I have learned that our kids believe East High's strength is diversity and tradition.

I have learned that our future is

bright because so many people care about the kids at East High school.

It continues to be my honor and pleasure to be a part of the team at East High School and we sincerely appreciate all of the communities support as we look forward to the 84th school year at East Side High School.

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