

Help Us Welcome Our New Principal

We are pleased to announce that West Sacramento Early College Prep will be welcoming a new principal on Tuesday, April 1, 2008. Though it is bittersweet to say goodbye to the school's founding principal, Greg Himes, we are excited about the experience and enthusiasm that Ms. Yolanda Falkenberg brings to all of us as we enter the final stretch of our first year together.

Our community has been fortunate to have Mr. Himes' leadership and wisdom during our first seven months of operation. He came out of retirement from a long and distinguished career as teacher, principal and district administrator to launch West Sacramento Early College Prep. I know I speak for everyone at the school in thanking Greg for his unwavering belief in our goals and his untiring dedication to all the details involved in putting our school on the path to success.

We have no doubt that Ms. Falkenberg will continue our momentum, bringing fresh insights and initiatives as we grow. With over 14 years' experience as a teacher and principal, Yolanda has distinguished herself as an educator who puts students first. She stresses frequent two-way communication with children and their families, and she supports professionalism and flexibility among her teaching staff.

Under her leadership, her current school, in Dixon, California, has been recognized by the State for putting children and academics at the top of its list of priorities. Her experience as a bilingual teacher and as a principal at a very diverse school positions her to provide our school with the guidance and energy we need well into the future.

Sincerely,

Board of Trustees for West Sacramento Early College Prep

Steven Lawrence
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P.S. Save the Date: Tuesday, April 1, 2008, at 5:30pm in the school cafeteria
We hope that you can join us for a special community gathering to thank Greg Himes for his service and to welcome Yolanda Falkenberg to our school.