



Educating the Heart School Profile: Park West High School

Pomona, Calif. – A group of Park West High School students recently spent weeks strategizing and distributing fliers and posters to friends, neighbors and other local high schools inviting them to the Cesar Chavez Day Pilgrimage Walk on Saturday, April 9th at Pomona City Hall, evidence that Cesar's legacy continues to have an impact on our young people.

The Park West students set a goal of bringing 500 other high school students from across the city to participate in the pilgrimage march, showing those living in and outside the city that many Pomona youth are involved in positive activities. In fact, most of the Park West students have participated in recent trips to the National Chavez Center—the nation's primary destination to experience first-hand the history and legacy of Cesar Chavez and the Farm Worker Movement. There they joined students from the Claremont Colleges and Cal Poly in completing community service projects and learning about the life, work, and values of Cesar Chavez.

Park West students have absorbed Cesar's lessons and are turning them into positive actions at home, showing the growing commitment of our young people to make a difference in their own lives, in their communities, and in the world as a whole through selfless acts of service to others and acceptance of all people.



"I've seen in their eyes, and I hear in their words just a deep commitment that isn't for one day. I think it will be there for days to come," said Jose Calderon, who as president of the Latino Roundtable was among the organizers of the Cesar Chavez event.

For more information about the Cesar E. Chavez Foundation's Educating the Heart School Program or Park West High School, please contact our programs department by E-mail at jrodriguez@cecfmail.org.