

PTSA

Thousand Oaks High School

A 2003 & 2004 California State PTA Award-Winning Unit

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Dear High School PTA Leader:

It is with unabashed enthusiasm that I tell you about the successful partnership between Thousand Oaks High School PTSA and ***Eureka One-on-One Review***.

Two years ago, as I was beginning my two-year term as PTSA president, Eureka President Jason Moreno contacted me. I remember avoiding his calls at first, feeling overwhelmed with my new responsibilities and not ready to hear about yet another fundraiser.

And yet, neighboring Westlake High School PTA was working with Eureka, so I decided to pay attention. Further, Jason mentioned the name of my daughter's good friend who had completed the Eureka course, and whose SAT scores had jumped dramatically after doing so.

I invited Jason to one of our PTA meetings. After his presentation, we voted unanimously to work with Eureka for one year. Today, Eureka is the best "educational" fund-raising program we have going!

More than 50 TOHS students have taken the Eureka course, with Eureka contributing \$5,000 that we have earmarked for our PTSA graduating senior scholarship fund. We also presented two "stress-free" Mock New SATs with 120 TOHS students participating, coupled with a "scoreback" and parent presentation that drew at least 100 parents. They learned about the college admissions process as well as how to help their children prepare for the SAT. And the bonus...our PTSA raised more than \$1,500 from the MOCK SAT "donations" for our scholarship fund.

Partnering with Eureka has been a win-win experience! In my view, it validates PTA's mission by providing opportunities to enhance the learning and success potential of all students, while helping us raise funds to benefit our graduating seniors.

Call me if you have questions about partnering with Eureka. I'd be happy to talk with you!



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