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NHSF 5th Annual Fun Run Promises Bubbles and Smiles

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What is it about bubbles that always puts a smile on your face? Is it the way the transparent spheres dance and float in the air? Is it the way they sparkle as they capture the sun's rays? Whatever the reason, bubbles just make everyone happy.

So why not run through them? Yes, run through bubbles!

It's out with the typical, traditional, and boring race and in with Bubbles of Fun! The New Haven Schools Foundation (NHSF) is thrilled to present its fifth annual 5k/10K community race and the East Bay's first *Bubbles of Fun Run*. Students and families of the New Haven Unified School District and the surrounding communities are invited to be a part of this popular chip-timed race event, which will take place on Saturday, April 25, 2015. Runners (and walkers) can look forward to a great race that starts and finishes at Cesar Chavez Middle School (2801 Hop Ranch Road, Union City). Bubble machines will be stationed throughout the course and operated by volunteers eager to help the bubbles soar and surround all runners and walkers.

Check-in and race day registration begins at 8:00 a.m. The start time for the 5K and 10K races is 9:00 a.m. and Union City's own Mayor Carol Dutra-Vernaci will fire the starting gun. Youth races will begin after the conclusion of the 5K and 10K races and are divided into three categories: 400 meters (grades K-5), 800 meters (grades 6-8), and 1 mile (grades 9-12). All courses run around the school track and the Alameda Creek Trail and will close at 11:00 am.

Entry fees are as follows: \$10 for K-8, \$15 for high school runners, and \$25 for general pre-registered 5K & 10K runners. Groups of four or more can receive a \$15 discount when registration is completed in a single transaction before April 22nd. Don't wait until the last minute to register because \$5 will be added to race-day registrations!

Details about the run and registration information can be found at nhsfoundation.org/events-2/fun-run/. Advance online registration is also available through www.active.com - search "Race to Save Student Activities."

The Fun Run is one of NHSF's fundraising efforts to help the Foundation realize its mission to support academic programs and to help enrich students' educational experiences. The 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation is dedicated to funding scholarships for NHUSD students and has just awarded over \$97,000 to recipients this year. The Foundation also funds grants to teachers who demonstrate innovative classroom programs (*Innovations in Education*) as well as provide ongoing support for co-curricular and extra-curricular programs (*Project: Enrichment*).

NHSF's *Bubbles of Fun Run* is a novel Springtime family event that is sure to be a memorable experience and the Foundation is grateful for the additional sponsorship and support of the following local companies: Fremont Bank, Kaiser Permanente, East Bay Community Foundation, Too Much Fun Club, Inc., Acacia Creek, the Office of Alameda County Supervisor Richard Valle, the City of Union City Leisure Services, and Tri-CED Community Recycling.

For more information about the Bubbles of Fun Run (and other upcoming NHSF events), contact NHSF Executive Director Helen Kennedy at <mailto:helen@nhsfoundation.org> or visit the NHSF online at www.nhsfoundation.org or www.facebook.com/NewHavenSchoolsFoundation.

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