

Success Story

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ARAMARK's partnership with District 108 in supporting the 2007-08 United Way of Pekin Fundraising Campaign.

For the past nineteen years the ARAMARK Corporation has been a valued partner in the success of District 108. On a daily basis 125 ARAMARK cooks, servers, custodians, lunchroom/playground supervisors, crossing guards, and catering staff provide 775 breakfasts, 2,498 lunches, 373 snacks, supervise numerous students, and clean many square feet of schools for our students and staff to be successful in their pursuit of our mission to be life long learners in a visionary and innovative elementary district.

ARAMARK has always been willing to lend the District a helping hand when needed. This is evident in ARAMARK's continued support of the annual District 108 "Kick-Off" breakfast for the United Way of Pekin Fundraising Campaign. For several years now, at no cost to the District, ARAMARK has provided a country style breakfast for over 25 school representatives who volunteer their time to coordinate the United Way Fundraising Campaign in their schools.

The Education Division of the United Way Campaign, which includes Pekin High School and District 108, was very successful with District 108 collecting \$12,598 or nearly 57% of the \$22,000 combined total. In light of the war in Iraq, utility and gasoline prices, and other issues facing our country, I believe this represents a true testament to the generosity of our staff!

As a result of the successful campaign, ARAMARK will be donating a special recognition luncheon for the staff of Sunset Hills Primary School for having the highest percentage increase in donations per employee over last year with a 69% increase from \$25.19 to \$42.50 per employee. ARAMARK has also donated giant celebratory cookies to the six schools and the District Office who had 100% staff donation participation. Once again, these acts of support demonstrate ARAMARK's true spirit of being a community minded partner with the District. ARAMARK is certainly an organization that exhibits the type of attributes that are reflective in District 108. The District looks forward to its continued partnership with ARAMARK Corporation.

On behalf of the Board of Education, I would like to congratulate Vicky Tuffentsamer, Don Boyd, and the entire ARAMARK staff for their continued support of the community and District 108.

Chris Spanos

BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESIDENT

Thank you, Vicky Tuffentsamer!