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Unionville-Chadds Ford Education Foundation and the Unionville Sports Council Form Strategic Alliance

The Unionville Sports Council (USC) has formed a strategic alliance with The Unionville Chadds Ford Education Foundation (UCFEF) to develop joint programs that benefit all students in the Unionville-Chadds Ford School District. A motion was unanimously approved by the Education Foundation's board on November 12, 2008, that acknowledges the importance of both community organizations and the need to support a holistic approach to educational excellence. The organizations have agreed to endorse and support each other's goals through a series of communication materials, joint events, and campaigns.

Their first joint project will be THE FIELD campaign that assists the school district in funding a synthetic surface on the main Unionville stadium field. This \$500,000 endeavor, with a goal to break ground by June 1, 2009 allows donors to elect to have their name engraved on a specially designed wall that will be located at the entrance of the field.

The mission statement of the UCFEF is to promote and support a holistic approach to educational excellence through academic advancements, health and wellness, and community interaction. "The Education Foundation firmly believes in an educational approach that encompasses the mind and body of the students of our district," says Veronique Liska, President of the UCFEF. "The Unionville Sports Council has highlighted the needs of the district in the areas of physical education and co-curricular activities, and we are pleased to be working with them on the stadium field project. We also look forward to working with the Council in future efforts that benefit all the students of the district. Our goal is to reach the full potential of every child of our district."

The Unionville Sports Council was formed in 2007 in order to advocate sports and physical activity initiatives in the school district. "Since their founding in 1995, the Education Foundation has led the way in recognizing the importance of community support in order to achieve educational excellence," says Joe Carney, President of the Unionville Sports Council. "We are pleased that they have recognized the importance and the academic value of providing adequate physical education facilities and programs for the students of this district."

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