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EdOptions High School Principal Jim Taylor Dyes Hair Blue for Commencement Address



Prescott Valley, AZ, May 21, 2009 – Mr. Jim Taylor, Principal of [EdOptions High School](http://www.eohighschool.com/) (<http://www.eohighschool.com/>) in Tempe, Arizona, has a reputation for going above and beyond for his students. While principal of Yavapai County High School, [Mr. Taylor](http://www.eohighschool.com/academics_faculty.html) (http://www.eohighschool.com/academics_faculty.html) showed his commitment by making a promise to a student that if she graduated, he would dye his hair blue for the graduation ceremony. The student graduated; Mr. Taylor showed up with blue hair. Not only did Mr. Taylor attend graduation, but his students invited him to be their commencement speaker.

Prior to joining EOHS, Mr. Taylor served as the Director of Instructional Services for the Yavapai County Superintendent's Office. During his tenure as Director, his responsibilities included District Administrator and Principal for the Yavapai Accommodation District, its two alternative high schools and the county Juvenile Detention education program.

Mr. Taylor spoke about lifelong learning and teaching, explaining that everyone has the potential to be both teacher and student. He reminded students that there is always someone they can positively influence: parents, teachers, siblings or their own child. "The values we model for families, children, friends and coworkers will teach them to become better people and better citizens in the community. These values will carry over to others because they see them being modeled every day. In essence, everyone is always teaching," said Mr. Taylor.

Mr. Taylor concluded with this piece of advice: "Remember always to keep your promises, always." He advised the students that they must always be trustworthy, keep their word, and hold themselves and others responsible and accountable.



Principal Taylor is an inspiration to the graduating class of Yavapai County High School and to the upcoming classes of EdOptions High School. His passion and commitment for student achievement continue to be the driving force for student success.

About EdOptions High School

EdOptions High School (EOHS) is an independent public high school that is dedicated to providing students with a proven curriculum that aligns to state standards, scheduling flexibility, and an educational environment of high expectations and individual successes. EOHS uses a 21st century educational approach which merges technology and content delivery systems with highly qualified teachers in a classroom environment to create an educational synergy that provides all students with superior opportunities for success.

About Educational Options Foundation

[The Educational Options Foundation \(http://www.eohighschool.com/support_eofoundation.html\)](http://www.eohighschool.com/support_eofoundation.html), founded as a non-profit corporation in 2008, supports educational organizations promoting the lifelong endeavor of learning. The Foundation's activities center around two main themes: charter schools and educational grants. The Foundation is committed to providing web-based curriculum through EdOptions, an award-winning education technology firm, to support both public and non-traditional educational institutions.