



2005 Ford GT to be Auctioned of for Education

Wednesday January 26th at 7pm in Bakersfield, Ca Jim Burk Ford will hold a private auction on the new 2005 Ford GT. The Auction will support the Jim Burke Education Foundation

([PRWEB](#)) January 8, 2005 -- In December of 1994, 200 Ford Dimension Alumni from across the country gathered to honor Jim Burke and thank him for the contributions he has made to better the educational experiences of young people through the Ford Dimension program. As a tribute to him they announced the founding of the Jim Burke Education Foundation. The Foundation's purpose is to continue the spirit of Jim Burke's generosity by contributing to the educational support of others. Click on the Jim Burke Education Foundation's newsletter. It will bring you up to date on events, scholarships, mini grants, alumni, and new projects of the Foundation.

In 1975, recognizing the need for improved youth/business education, Jim Burke set out to develop a "youth connection". Management of the firm approached high school administrators and offered facilities and finances for developing a program that would provide off-campus orientation and education about the private enterprise system and the practical problems of today's business world. The educators liked the idea, and the Ford Dimension was off and running. Now in its 30th year, the Ford Dimension, continues as a youth leadership program with an emphasis on civic responsibility and business ethics. The dealership is proud of these outstanding students and what they are achieving. Click on their picture to meet this years group.

Recently the Foundation began a new program called Dream Builders. It was created to provide leadership and mentoring opportunities to 40 achieving high school seniors. These students are teamed with corporate sponsors to design and implement a community service project. This year Wells Fargo Bank, Aera Energy LLC, American General Media, Castle & Cooke, and Bright House Networks are helping guide the students on projects that involve the elderly, the Boys & Girls Club, foster children, youth obesity, and kids with cancer. Click on their picture to learn more about this program and the difference these students are making in the community.

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