**Volunteers Make a HUGE**

**Difference**

**Guest Speakers Visit ALearn Classrooms**

ALearn students at high schools in Mt. View, Woodside, Oak Grove, Yerba Buena, Mt. Pleasant, were treated to fantastic presentations by 12 guest speakers with inspiring high school-to college-to career success stories.  Microsoft XBox engineers, Nathan Slattengren and Steve Schmidt gave students a chance to get a hands-on look at a prototype:



DPR project manager, Aurora Ildefonso, told students what it's like to be one of the few Latino civil engineers in Silicon Valley, building some its most notable high-tech buildings:



Cisco project manager, Lalitha Venkatesh shared Cisco's vision of the "Internet of Things" with examples of tele-medicine and retail virtual mirrors:



Many thanks to these volunteers for sharing their college and career stories:

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| **Cisco**:Ricardo BenavidezFrances BrooksJustin RirayJennifer UmLalitha Venkatesh**DPR**:Aurora IldefonsoSarah Gigliotti | **Microsoft**:Sharena Pari-MonaschSteve SchmidtNathan Slattengren**Maxim Integrated**:Jonathan Ho**Xilinx**:Yogesh Chobe |