Dining program helps Tahoe-Truckee students

More than 40 restaurants are participating in the Excellence in Education Foundation's Dining for Schools fundraising program this year.

Each cardholder receives 50 percent off an individual dinner entrée at participating restaurants in the Truckee and North Tahoe area. Some restrictions apply.

The Tahoe Truckee Excellence in Education Foundation is a private, a nonprofit organization that was created to enhance public education within the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District. The foundation's mission is to raise money and provide grants, resources and unique partnerships to benefit students, teachers and the overall educational community.

Dining for Schools cards are available starting Sept. 15 for \$50 per card, and are non-transferable, with all proceeds benefiting the Excellence in Education Foundation. Cards are valid Sunday through Thursday only (holidays excluded) from Sept. 24-Dec. 14 and April 15-June 14.

Several restaurants offer an extended period that makes the card valid from Jan. 7-April 5. Cards may be used an unlimited number of times at any participating restaurant during the valid period.

Cards will be available for purchase at Safeway (Truckee and Kings Beach), Save Mart (Truckee and Tahoe City), Mountain Hardware and Sports (Truckee), The Store (Tahoe City), and online.