

Spending snafus challenge TUSD credibility, again

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TUSD recruited elsewhere amid layoffs

Highly qualified teachers were primary targets

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In a year that saw pink slips for more than 600 Tucson Unified School District educators, the district spent tens of thousands of dollars to recruit teachers in East Coast and Southern cities.

The district tapped Richard Foster before the school year began, at an annual salary of more than \$80,000, to help lead recruiting efforts.

TUSD correcting fire violations

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The Tucson Unified School District was cited for nearly 400 fire-safety violations in the last fiscal year and was late in fixing the vast majority of them.

TUSD quits financial group amid corruption allegations

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A federal investigation more than 300 miles away has prompted Tucson's largest school district to quietly sever ties with its financial adviser.

Tucson Unified School District officials and their attorneys said the decision will affect the fiscal management of TUSD's bonds, which was overseen by First Southwest Co. But they said the decision should not affect the projects funded by the \$235 million bond passed in 2004.

TUSD boss seeking to hire 4 assistants at up to \$130K each

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Even as hundreds of teachers are being laid off, the Tucson Unified School District is advertising four assistant superintendent positions whose salaries could top out at \$130,000 apiece.