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# Taking Root

The afternoon of Aug. 24 saw the planting of two cherry trees at the front of Homestead High School. The trees were planted to symbolize and celebrate the partnership between the students of the Fremont Union High School District and students in Iizuka, Japan. Sunnyvale Sister City is the organization facilitating this partnership between Sunnyvale and Iizuka. Its mission is to foster international understanding through student exchanges between the United States and Japan. Seen here from left is student Ronak Mundkur, Katsuyuki Takano a staffer from the Iizuka Board of Education and student Winnie Zhu. The tree planting was preceded by remarks shared by dignitaries from the district, the city of Sunnyvale, Japan, and the Japanese Consulate.