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## Fair Trade Festival Held at SMC

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Students surround Nick van Santen, the assistant director for Justice Education and Immersion at Saint Mary's College, and Program Administrator Cherie Grant, at the April 15 Saint Mary's College Fair Trade Festival.

Van Santen who initiated the festival, said that some 1,000 students came through for lunch while exploring the fair trade booths. The eclectic mix of vendors included Just Coffee from Mexico, FairTrade Design that imports accessories from all over the world, the women's Bean Project from Denver, San Francisco-based Alter Eco Chocolate, Numi teas, the Asante Network, Tcho chocolate, and the Saint Mary's group Enactus that is partnering with the Christian fair trade movement to bring solar electricity to refugees and homeless communities.

great way to highlight some of the Saint Mary's Lasallian values through quality education and respect for all people.

Van Santen said that the fair trade festival was a

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