

Vidya Bharati Foundation of America to Host Annual Gala Honoring Education, Innovation and Philanthropy

Legendary entrepreneur and philanthropist Desh Deshpande to headline July 12 event at Boston Marriott Burlington

BOSTON, MA, UNITED STATES, June 30, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- BURLINGTON, Mass., July 2026 — The Vidya Bharati Foundation of America will host its Annual Gala 2026 on Sunday, July 12, at the Boston Marriott Burlington, bringing together distinguished leaders from education, business, technology, philanthropy and public policy in support of one of the world's largest education movements.

The evening will feature legendary entrepreneur and philanthropist Desh Deshpande as Guest of Honor, along with Pooja Ika, Founder and CEO of Nirvana Health, senior leadership from NITI Aayog, the leadership of Vidya Bharati from India, prominent professors, innovators, entrepreneurs and community leaders from across New England and beyond.

The gala celebrates Vidya Bharati's mission of transforming lives through value-based education. With more than 14,000 schools serving over 3 million students across India, the organization is among the world's largest volunteer-led educational movements.

"Each year, the generosity of our supporters demonstrates the extraordinary commitment of the Indian-American community to expanding educational opportunity," said [Satish Jha](#), Board Member of the Vidya Bharati Foundation of America. "We are deeply excited by the remarkable support from distinguished leaders who are joining this year's gala. Their participation reflects a



The poster for the Vidya Bharati Foundation of America New England Chapter Gala 2026 features a warm orange and yellow color scheme. At the top center is the organization's logo, which includes a lamp and the Sanskrit motto 'सा विद्या या विमुक्तये'. Below the logo, the text 'VIDYA BHARATI FOUNDATION OF AMERICA' is displayed in a bold, sans-serif font, followed by 'NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER' in a smaller font. The word 'Gala' is written in a large, elegant script font. To the right of 'Gala' is a portrait of Swami Vivekananda. Below the portrait is a quote: 'Arise, awake and stop not till the goal is reached.' followed by '— Swami Vivekananda'. On the left side of the poster, there are four icons with corresponding statistics: a school building for '14,000+ Schools', two children for '3.5 Million Children', a teacher at a blackboard for '150,000+ Teachers', and an open book for 'Value Based Education'. At the bottom, there is a banner that reads 'Inspired by Vivekananda. Empowering Future Generations.' with the website 'www.vbne.org' and email 'info@vbne.org' below it. The background of the poster shows a silhouette of a person running towards a school building under a tree.

Vidya Bharati USA f1

shared belief that investing in children is the most enduring investment any society can make."

The inaugural Boston-area gala generated exceptional support, raising \$2.6 million toward the establishment of a new Vidya Bharati school in Punjab. Building on that success, this year's gala will expand its focus to help strengthen educational opportunities in Bihar, while continuing to advance innovative learning initiatives across India.

Guests will hear inspiring stories of educational transformation, explore emerging approaches to technology-enabled learning, and learn how philanthropy can help shape the future of millions of children.

The gala is expected to attract business executives, entrepreneurs, academics, philanthropists, healthcare leaders, and members of the Indian-American community committed to advancing education and nation-building.

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The flyer for Vidya Bharati USA f2 features the organization's logo at the top, followed by a banner with the tagline "ROOTED IN BHARATIYA CULTURE. BUILDING CHARACTER. TRANSFORMING BHARAT." Below this is a photograph of students in orange uniforms. A central graphic states "First School Started in 1952". The flyer lists key facts: Vidya Bharati Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Sansthan is the country's largest non-government educational institution; it operates 12,068 schools and 10,176 Bal Sanskar Centers; it provides value-based education at affordable costs; it achieves excellent academic results; and it has pan India penetration. A prominent "DONATE \$500" call to action is shown, noting that this amount educates a child for one year. A QR code is provided for donations, with the text "Your Support can change a child's life forever" and "DONATE NOW!". The footer includes the motto "EDUCATE EMPOWER ELEVATE", contact information (www.vbne.org, info@vbne.org), and logos for partner organizations like SETU, Edufront, The Jha Group, Startup Angel Bazaar, and UTSV.

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