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Imperial Elementary Teacher Receives Stimulus Package

ORANGE, Calif., October 9, 2009 –On Tuesday, October 6, 2009, Imperial Elementary teacher Marietta Jones got a welcome surprise: an economic stimulus package for her classroom that came in a large box with a \$1,000 worth of classroom supplies. She was one of 1,000 teachers across the country that were presented with the supplies as part of the “A Day Made Better” program, put on by the nonprofit Adopt-A-Classroom and the office supply store OfficeMax.

Mrs. Jones, who has taught in OUSD for ten years, was truly honored and surprised. “This feels wonderful, especially in this budget situation” she said. “The students were just as excited as me. It was awesome to see what’s inside the box.”

To provide economic relief for teachers and encourage national support, hundreds of OfficeMax associates -- working secretly with school principals -- honored teachers with classroom donations of much-needed school supplies. Mrs. Jones was selected by her principal Tim Biland.

Asked what she planned to do with the supplies, Mrs. Jones commented, “We’ll use some (supplies) in our classroom and allow teachers to have access it. We have a fantastic team here at Imperial and I am happy to share.”

The Orange Unified School District is located at 1401 North Handy Street in Orange, CA

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