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OUSD Announces 2011-2012 Full Day Kindergarten Registration

ORANGE, Calif., January 25, 2011 – Kindergarten registration for the Orange Unified School District will begin on **Wednesday, March 2, 2011**, with the exception of McPherson Magnet School. Beginning the 2011-2012 school year, **all** OUSD kindergarten classes will be full day. This is a first for OUSD as all kindergarten classes will follow the same daily schedule as their first through third grade peers. A Full Day Kindergarten Program will provide additional educational opportunity for quality kindergarten instruction and improve achievement outcomes. This is an educational benefit that many teachers, parents and administrators are excited to see implemented.

The process for kindergarten registration is as follows:

- To receive a kindergarten registration packet, a parent **MUST** have all the required documentation: birth certificate, current immunization records, and two address verifications (even if a sibling already attends the school, the family may have moved).
- Parents may choose to complete the registration packet at the school site but are not required to do so. Each school site determines the date that packets must be returned to their site.

Students interested in attending McPherson Magnet School must participate in a lottery. In order to participate in the lottery at McPherson Magnet School (K-8), families will need to attend one of the following orientation meetings at McPherson Magnet School: February 8th at 5:00 p.m. or February 10th at 8:15 a.m. The lottery will be held on Monday, February 14th at 9:00 a.m.

For more information regarding kindergarten registration, parents are asked to contact the school site directly or go to the OUSD website at <http://www.orangeusd.org/scs> For specific questions regarding open enrollment, parents are asked to contact the site they are interested in their student attending directly. For general questions, or information on inter-district transfers, please contact the Student and Community Services Office at **(714) 628-5424**.

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

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