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## **OUSD Teachers Receive a \$1,000 Surprise from OfficeMax**

ORANGE, Calif., October 5, 2010 – The Orange Unified School District announced today two district teachers were awarded \$1,000 in school supplies as part of the “A Day Made Better,” a national school advocacy campaign from OfficeMax. Chanmony Yip, a second grade teacher at Handy Elementary School, and Christie Scott-Griffith, a second grade teacher from Esplanade Elementary School, were nominated by their school communities and selected by OfficeMax.

Both teachers received a surprise visit from OfficeMax and were honored and recognized with an award and \$1,000 worth of school supplies as part of the “A Day Made Better,” a national event celebrating teachers for their extraordinary efforts in the classroom.

Ms. Yip said, “This was the shock of my life. I am looking forward to sharing this with my team. I really appreciate it. This is truly a miracle.”

OfficeMax and Adopt-A-Classroom founded “A Day Made Better” to lead the fight against teachers having to spend their own money on classroom supplies. Today, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 1,000 teachers across the nation will receive surprise deliveries of school supplies from OfficeMax worth a total of \$1 million dollars.

Mrs. Scott-Griffith said, “I was absolutely shocked. This is absolutely wonderful. I often spend personal income for my classroom and this gift lifts a huge burden off my family.”

Since “A Day Made Better” first began in October 2007, OfficeMax has funded more than 3,500 teachers and their classrooms on behalf of the “A Day Made Better” cause and helped attract donations for 10,000 classrooms through Adopt-A-Classroom.

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

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