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OUSD School Bus Team Wins Award

ORANGE, Calif., February 17, 2011—The Orange Unified School District is pleased to announce that the team of OUSD school bus driver, Tiffany Clapper, and school bus monitor/assistant, Bertha Carrillo, won third place at the Transporting Students with Special Needs "Roadeo," sponsored by California Association of School Transportation Officials (CASTO) Chapter's 2 & 3, recently held at Westminster School District.

This marks the third year that Tiffany Clapper, an Orange High School graduate, has earned an award at this Roadeo.

The Special Needs Roadeo is a great way to practice, improve and showcase driving skills. This Roadeo consists of seven different events. Competitors are a team of two people, one as the driver and the other as a monitor/assistant. The events consist of:

- 1) Written Test
- 2) Pre-Trip Inspection
- 3) Wheelchair Lift Zone
- 4) Wheelchair Loading/Wheelchair Tie Downs
- 5) Sensitivity Driving
- 6) Special Needs Bus Student Emergency Evacuation
- 7) Parallel Parking

The driver teams with the monitor/assistant to complete their tasks. Although this is competitive, it is always educational. Drivers and monitor/assistants always learn the best techniques, skills and procedures.

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