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## Yorba Announces School Renovation Ceremony

ORANGE, Calif., May 11, 2011– The Orange Unified School District is pleased to announce Yorba Academy of the Arts Middle School's renovation ceremony is slated for Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm, to celebrate the newly renovated school facilities. The community is invited to attend.

The ceremony will take place from 4:00 pm -4:30 pm and tours of the \$12 million renovated school will occur from 4:30 pm-5:00 pm. Events for the celebration include:

- A performance by the Yorba Middle School bands
- Speeches by Yorba teachers
- Ribbon cutting ceremony
- Facility tours
- Refreshments
- 1958 Alumnus presentation

The renovation included a new kitchen facility which allowed for the multipurpose room to be enlarged, new energy efficient windows, lighting and HVAC units, electrical and technology upgrades, new flooring, wall coverings, ceilings, new roofs throughout the campus, redesigned administration and instructional spaces, new teaching walls with Smartboards and integrated storage. The total construction budget was \$12 million. The District has received approximately \$5.1 million from the State Modernization and Emergency Repair Programs.

Kerrie Torres, Yorba Principal, stated, "The Yorba Middle School staff looks forward to sharing our brand new campus with the community."

Yorba Middle School located at 935 N. Cambridge Street in Orange.

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