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## LEPORT OPENS MONTESSORI SUMMER CAMP TO OUTSIDE STUDENTS

IRVINE, California, May 1, 2012 – LePort Schools is opening its <u>Montessori summer camp</u> program in <u>Irvine</u> and <u>Huntington Beach</u> to outside students. Taught by experienced Montessori preschool and elementary teachers, LePort Montessori summer camp offers families the opportunity to try out <u>Montessori preschool</u> or elementary in a fun, relaxed way.

"Many parents have heard of Montessori preschool, but aren't really sure what Montessori really is," says Heike Larson, Vice President of Outreach. "When parents visit our Montessori preschools, they are curious to learn more, to try it out for their child. The Montessori summer camp program offers the opportunity to do just that. And at our two campuses in Huntington Beach, as well at our Irvine Lake campus, parents can continue to enroll for the school year programs, if they like their summer experience. The other three Irvine campuses are currently full, but we'd be happy to place families on our waitlists."

As recently as a few summers ago, the LePort preschool summer camp program was available only to LePort students. The program is now open to outside preschool and elementary campers; they will get to experience an <u>authentic Montessori preschool class</u>, as well as lots of summer fun. "I am very excited about our new summer program. We will run our Montessori preschool and elementary program throughout the summer, with the same <u>highly-trained</u>, <u>experienced Montessori teachers</u>, not temporary camp counselors," explains Lindsay Journo, Vice President of Academics. "Our bi-weekly themes, from *America the Beautiful* to *Rainforests*, are integrated into the Montessori environment, as is the bi-weekly sports activity. Because many of our current Montessori preschool and elementary students also attend summer camp, summer campers will get to experience a real Montessori class, in addition to having a fun summer experience."

Summer camp enrollment is now open to <u>toddlers</u> (18 months – 3 years), <u>preschool</u> aged children (3 -6 years) and <u>elementary school</u> students (1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade), including students not currently enrolled at LePort Schools. Outside students can enroll for three or more weeks, and the summer camp runs from June 25th to August 24<sup>th</sup>, at <u>five campuses in Irvine and Huntington Beach</u>.

For more information about the summer camp, parents can visit <a href="www.LePortSchools.com/camps">www.LePortSchools.com/camps</a>, where a detailed <a href="summer camp calendar">summer camp calendar</a> is available, as well as summer camp applications for all five campuses.

LePort Schools has been educating Orange County children for 12 years, and operates six preschools and private schools in Huntington Beach and Irvine, serving children from infants through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. For more information about the company, visit www.LePortSchools.com/About.



<u>Summer camp</u> in-house field trips, like visits by reptilian friends, add safe summer fun to LePort's camp program.



Summer camp students get to try out new ways of learning, such as mastering cursive handwriting with the help of Montessori sandpaper letters.



A bi-weekly sports theme lets summer campers explore sports from baseball to bowling and soccer. In true Montessori fashion, the sports program not only gets children active, but also teaches interpersonal skills and all the many vocabulary words and concepts that go with sports.



The summer camp program is taught by experienced Montessori teachers, not temporary camp counselors. Summer campers new to LePort get to experience an authentic, high-quality Montessori preschool environment.