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## LEPORT'S NEW IRVINE PRIVATE SCHOOL OPENS THIS WEEK

Irvine, California, September 4, 2012 – This week, 230 children will excitedly walk through the doors of their new school in South Irvine. LePort Schools, the Orange County private school group, is opening its sixth OC location in the Irvine Spectrum area. The new school offers a high-quality educational environment, grounded in Montessori principles, for infants through 8th grade students.

"We are excited to bring a high-quality private school and preschool to the Irvine Spectrum area," says Heike Larson, Vice President of Outreach at LePort Schools. "Parent demand for our school has been high: the Montessori programs from infants through 1st grade are totally filled, and only a few spots remain in select classes in elementary and middle school."

The new school offers an <u>authentic Montessori program</u> for children ages 3 months to 9 years, and LePort's proprietary curriculum for children in <u>4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade</u>.

"Irvine is known for its high-quality public education. But with budget cuts, ever larger class sizes and the constraints imposed by the teach-to-the-test standards, we are not surprised that demand for our elementary and junior high program has been so strong", explains Ray Girn, CEO of LePort Schools. "As a private school, we are able to limit class size to 16 students. We can <a href="hire teachers">hire teachers</a> who are passionate about their subjects, and give them the opportunity to teach content in depth, in a way that makes learning enjoyable and accelerated at the same time. Our students can't wait to come to school in the morning!"

"I cannot believe that my teens can actually come home from school excited to discuss what they learned that day, and are truly energized about the learning process", says Kathy Conner, mother of two LePort students. "The hands-on learning methods have kept both my children engaged in class discussions, and most importantly, inspired them to achieve academic excellence."

To learn more about LePort Schools, visit <u>www.LePortSchools.com</u>. Families are invited to visit the school at it Grand Opening event on Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, from 12 noon – 3 pm.

Parents interested in immediate enrollment for  $2^{nd}$  –  $8^{th}$  grade are encouraged to contact the school right away, as only a few spots remain open. LePort's open enrollment period for the 2013/14 school year start in February 2013. Families are encouraged to tour the school in the fall, and submit a waitlist application by the February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013 early enrollment deadline.



The <u>Irvine Spectrum campus</u> is located at One Technology Drive, Building A. During the week of September  $4^{th}$ , over 230 students will have their first day of school at this new child care and private school in South Irvine.



Students in LePort's <u>private school program</u> benefit from individualized attention, as classes are typically limited to 16 students.



Parents interested in any of LePort's Irvine schools are invited to attend the <u>Irvine</u>

<u>Spectrum campus Grand Opening event on</u>

<u>October 14<sup>th</sup>, from 12 noon – 3 pm.</u> Tour the classrooms, meet the teachers, and get your questions answered by the school leadership team.



The Montessori infant, toddler and preschool program offers individualized attention from highly qualified teachers. Montessori students develop strong language skill, refine fine and gross motor skills, and master writing, reading and arithmetic into the thousands in preschool.