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## **Groundbreaking Ceremony for New School in Del Sur/ 4S Ranch Community**

### **K-8 School Is the First of Its Kind in Poway Unified School District**

Poway Unified School District is hosting a groundbreaking ceremony for its new K-8 school on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Sonya Wrisley, the school's principal, will welcome District and community guests to the construction site on the southwest corner of Lone Quail Road and Camino Del Norte, directly across from Del Norte High School.

"We are very excited that construction has begun," Wrisley explains, "not only because it addresses a real need in the heavily-impacted communities of 4s Ranch, Del Sur and The Lakes, but also because this school is at the forefront of the District's commitment to 'Changing the Way We Do School'."

The facility, currently known as School 39, has been designed as a 21<sup>st</sup> century learning environment that will feature flexible instructional settings and a full range of technology tools to support individual student's intellectual development. According to Wrisley, "Because the vision for this school is so unique, we will designate it a 'school of choice' for the communities it serves. Students will definitely experience a new way of learning here."

According to PUSD Superintendent John Collins, "The opening of School 39 provides a great opportunity for our District to expand our efforts to shape the future of public education to meet the needs of our 21<sup>st</sup> century learners. I am excited about the opportunities this new school will offer to both its students and staff."

Mello-Roos funds from the Del Sur, 4S Ranch and The Lakes communities will pay for the construction of the school which will open in Fall, 2014 with Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grades, and expand over the following three years to a K-8 school.

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Marc Davis, President of the PUSD Board of Education recognizes the unique role this new K-8 school will play in the District's future. "The Board of Education is excited about the construction of a school which blends the best of Poway Unified's current educational practices with cutting-edge educational theories and technology. We believe that this K-8 school will serve as a model for growth and change across the District."

Parking for the event will be available at the corner of Lone Quail Road and Zavlasky Place.

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