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Dear Irvine Unified School District parent:

At its June 7 meeting, the IUSD Board of Education approved staff-recommended boundary adjustments that may affect your child's school of attendance. Students who were already enrolled in 2010-11 will not be impacted by these changes; however, if you live in the Spectrum, Orangetree or Columbus Grove areas and have children who will start kindergarten this fall or in subsequent years, we encourage you to read this letter carefully.

In an effort to accommodate enrollment shifts as well as new residential growth, the following changes will be phased in gradually, beginning with kindergarteners and first-graders in the fall of 2012:

- Children in the Spectrum attendance area will attend Oak Creek Elementary School, South Lake Middle School and Woodbridge High School.
- Children in Orangetree village will be reassigned to Eastshore Elementary.
- Students in Columbus Grove – this area is bordered by Barranca Parkway, Moffitt Drive, Jamboree Road and Harvard Avenue – will have the choice of attending Culverdale or Westpark elementary schools.

Additional grade levels will be added as students advance from year to year. And, in the interest of keeping families together, siblings of currently enrolled students will have the option to attend their family members' schools, provided space is available.

Again, these boundary changes won't take effect until the fall of 2012, but keep in mind that they will apply to both kindergarteners and first-grade students – meaning they will impact those who are set to start kindergarten in September, 2011. If your child is in the latter age group and you live in one of the areas described above, you may want to consider enrolling your kindergartener at the school he or she will attend the following year as a first-grader, ensuring continuity and familiarity with the campus.

Our staff and Board of Education recognize that altering school boundaries impacts our families. Nevertheless, adjustments are necessary from time to time to manage enrollment shifts that create capacity issues and unbalanced campuses, which can force students to attend

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schools far from home. The boundary changes we've made for 2012-13 were carefully researched and designed to leverage IUSD's existing capacities, in accordance with the Board Policy that regulates school sizes. Most importantly, we believe these changes will create long-term stability for our families, who will have the ongoing assurance that space is available at their home schools.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact the principal of your assigned school.

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*Eastshore Elementary School (949) 936-5700  
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*Oak Creek Elementary School (949) 936-8550  
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*Westpark Elementary School (949) 936-6400  
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Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cassie Parham". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Cassie Parham  
Assistant Superintendent, Education Services