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Dear Irvine Unified School District parent:

At its June 7, 2011 meeting, the IUSD Board of Education approved boundary adjustments that may alter your child's school of attendance. All families affected by the boundary adjustment received a letter in July of 2011. This letter serves as a reminder to families that the new boundaries will be in effect beginning with the 2012-13 school year.

If your child's school of attendance is affected and you are interested in enrolling your child at a different school, you are welcome to pursue Open Enrollment either at another school or at the school your student is currently attending. The Open Enrollment period begins January 3 and continues through noon on February 24, 2012. More information regarding Open Enrollment can be found on the IUSD website at the following link:

<http://www.iusd.org/enrollment/OpenEnrollmentPolicy.html>

Students who were already enrolled in the 2010-11 school year will not be impacted by these changes; however, if you live in the Spectrum, Orangetree or Columbus Grove areas and have children who started Kindergarten in September 2011 or will begin Kindergarten 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:

- Students in the Spectrum attendance area will attend Oak Creek Elementary School, South Lake Middle School, and Woodbridge High School.
- Students in the 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.

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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 students who started kindergarten in September 2011.

Our staff and Board of Education recognize that altering school boundaries impacts our families. Unfortunately, adjustments are sometimes necessary to manage school capacity issues which can force students to attend schools far from home. The boundary changes we have 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 assigned schools.

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