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Students, Staff and Schools are First Class in TUSD!

Guin Foss, Myford and Tustin Ranch elementary schools have been named 2010 California Distinguished Schools by the California Department of Education. The three schools won the award based upon the quality of their programs and other criteria such as school leadership, student achievement/test scores, curriculum and instruction, technology, school environment, and parent and community support. All three schools were honored on June 4 by the California Department of Education at the Distinguished Schools awards ceremony at the Disneyland Hotel.

TUSD 2010 Teacher of the Year and Currie Middle School eighth-grade Honors Core and ELD teacher Jamie Joyce was selected as a semifinalist in the Orange County Teachers of the Year Program by the Orange County Department of Education.

The Marjorie Veeh Elementary School PAL (Peer Assistance Leadership) program has been selected as an Outstanding PAL Program for 2010 by the Orange County Department of Education. The school was recognized at the 23rd annual PAL Recognition Event on May 27 at Chapman University.

Four TUSD staff members have received the 2010 Golden Touch Awards from the Assessment and Treatment Services Center (ATSC). They are: Sissy Oberlin, office assistant at Beckman High School; James Garcia, English teacher at Foothill High School; Erik Eidenmuller, American government, economics, geography and history teacher at Hillview High School; and Joanna Vandal, English and AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) teacher at Tustin High School. All four individuals were recognized for their positive attitude, dedicated efforts, and commitment and concern for students and their education.

Tustin Unified held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new plaza at Tustin High School on April 22. The Tustin High Plaza features Spanish revival architecture, new landscaping, lighting, activity stage, sound system and bell tower. The project was funded through the Measure G campus modernization program. Measure G was passed in 2002 by the voters to repair and renovate the 20 oldest schools in the Tustin school district.

For more good news or the latest information, please visit the TUSD Web site at www.tustin.k12.ca.us. Plus, you can follow the District on Twitter at twitter.com/TUSDschools.

Have a great summer!