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FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT ***Hermosa Drive School GATE Program Thrives***

(Fullerton, CA) – Hermosa Drive School prides itself on providing experiences and opportunities to ignite student's passions thus developing excited and engaged learners. One cornerstone of the school's many achievements is the GATE (Gifted And Talented Education) program. Hermosa Drive School has been a GATE designated school since 1980 and has continually focused on a challenging curriculum and development of GATE strategies and attributes. The Hermosa Drive School GATE program is a model for inquiry based learning and project based learning. One of the school's GATE emphasis is on rigorous math programs and science clubs. This focus has helped Hermosa Drive students to compete in national math competitions such as Kangaroo Math and Math Olympiad. This program is just one example of Hermosa Drive School educating the whole child – the student's heart, mind, and body.

The GATE program is only one of the wonderful opportunities offered at Hermosa Drive School. Having the designation of a Level 1 and 2 High Reliability School, California Gold Ribbon School and California Distinguished School, Hermosa Drive is also home to sports and media broadcasting, Rubik's cube challenges, e-sports, STEAM integration, and speech and debate. Rounding out the special offerings are a garden club, after school sports, coding and robotics, drones, and Green Screen Film Production. Anyone interested in being a Hermosa Drive Hawk is invited to tour the school to learn more about the family-friendly community school where high academic standards and kindness are at the core of the school's mission.

Hermosa Drive Principal Dr. Caroline Llewellyn can't keep the smile off her face when she talks about the amazing school, "At Hermosa, we love partnering with our families and welcoming them to our school. Together, we provide our students with high academic standards, unique experiences, and opportunities to impact and serve our local community. For example, our school is passionate about our sports and media broadcasting. Our Hawks use STEAM, journalism, and communication skills to report on community events with our media broadcasting program. At Hermosa Drive, we are excited to welcome new students to our community of learners."

The Fullerton School District is located in northern Orange County, California and serves over 11,600 students in grades TK – 8th. The Fullerton School District includes 21 schools, 15 elementary schools, two K-8th grade schools, three middle schools, and a distance learning and home school model. The mission of the Fullerton School District is to work collaboratively with the community to provide an innovative, high-quality educational program for all students in a safe learning environment. The District motto, "*Great Schools - Successful Kids*" exemplifies the belief that all students will achieve academic

excellence, acquire interpersonal skills, and develop technological expertise to contribute as productive citizens in a democratic society. For more information, call 714/447-7400 or visit www.fullertonsd.org.

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