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FUSD BOARD SELECTS NAME FOR NEW PRE-IB/DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION SCHOOL

FONTANA, CA – At their August 10 meeting, the FUSD Board of Education selected a name for our district's new Pre-International Baccalaureate/Dual Language Immersion School: Dolores Huerta International Academy.

"There is much to consider when selecting a name for a school," said Superintendent Dr. Leslie Boozer. "We opened it up to the community for their input and received approximately 100 unique responses through an online survey. We also asked for volunteers from the community and district to serve on a committee to review the recommendations."

The committee met twice to consider all the names that were submitted. After careful consideration, they whittled down the list to a more manageable number and passed those along to the Board for their final decision.

"I couldn't be happier with our choice," said Board President BarBara Chavez. "Dolores Huerta is a personal hero of mine and I feel that she is a positive role model. She stood up for the less fortunate and made a real difference in the quality of families' lives."

Dolores Huerta is a labor leader and civil rights activist who was an early member of the National Farmworkers Association, which ultimately became the National Farm Workers Association. She has received numerous awards for her community service and advocacy for workers', immigrants', and women's rights, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom and the United States Presidential Eleanor Roosevelt Award for Human Rights.

The Dolores Huerta International Academy will offer a K-5 Pre-International Baccalaureate/Dual Language Immersion magnet program that will provide a world class education to all students. The school is scheduled to open in August of 2016.

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