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May 30, 2024

Dr. Elena Garcia-Yoshitomi  
Principal, Portola Elementary School  
6700 Eagle Street  
Ventura, CA 93003

Dear Principal Garcia-Yoshitomi,

Please accept my sincerest congratulations for Portola Elementary School's selection and recognition on the Educational Results Partnership's 2024 Honor Roll of top performing schools in California.

This is the ninth year that the Educational Results Partnership has completed the Honor Roll list, which recognizes top public schools that have outperformed their peers in closing achievement gaps, particularly among higher-poverty and historically disadvantaged student populations.

This year Portola Elementary joins 1,430 other schools, totaling approximately 17 percent of all eligible schools in the State of California, on this distinguished list.

As a public school teacher for over 20 years before entering public service, these accomplishments are very special to me as I contend there are few responsibilities as important in our society as the education and development of young people. I can personally attest that although it is one of the most challenging responsibilities, it is also one of the most satisfying.

Please extend my sincerest appreciation with your entire leadership team and staff at Portola Elementary for your collective service to our community and students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steve Bennett".

Assemblymember Steve Bennett  
38th Assembly District