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Fontana Unified to Honor Labor Leader Dolores Huerta During Dedication Ceremony of New Academy

WHAT: Fontana Unified will dedicate its new Dolores Huerta International Academy, a dual-language magnet school, to its namesake during a community celebration that will feature remarks from Huerta and student performances.

The state-of-the-art academy opened its doors to 350 kindergarten through third-grade students in August 2016, launching opportunities for Fontana's young learners to explore innovative English/Spanish dual-language and pre-International Baccalaureate (IB) magnet programs. The academy is named for Civil Rights leader and co-founder of the United Farm Workers, Dolores Huerta.

The ceremony will include performances by the AB Miller High School Jazz Band and remarks from IB scholars from Jurupa Hills High School, Board President Lorena Corona and co-Interim Superintendents Randal Basset and Dr. John R. Porter.

WHEN: 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 11

WHERE: Dolores Huerta International Academy
17777 Merrill Ave., Fontana

DETAILS: The Dolores Huerta International Academy's featured programs aim to inspire students to gain multilingual skills through its English/Spanish dual-language program and prepare for enrollment in rigorous high school IB courses – pathways that will lead to high levels of achievement in college and careers. The school, which will add fourth and fifth grades over the next two years, is a candidate school for the IB Primary Years Programme, allowing the school to pursue authorization as an IB World School and offer a challenging academic curriculum. Community members advocated for naming the school for Dolores Huerta – a champion for workers', immigrants' and women's rights whose courageous leadership as a community activist will serve as an inspiration for generations of students.

**Coverage and/or inclusion of this event in your calendar of events
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