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**CALIFORNIA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION PRESENTS
THE PRESTIGIOUS GOLDEN BELL AWARD TO ETIWANDA SCHOOL DISTRICT
IN HONOR OF THE PACK PROGRAM AT DAY CREEK INTERMEDIATE**

The Etiwanda School District will be honored at the 32nd Annual Golden Bell Awards program of the California School Boards Association. The award was won in the 'Closing the Achievement Gap' category for the Day Creek Intermediate School PACK (Personally Achieving Character and Knowledge) program under the direction of Charlayne Sprague, principal of Day Creek Intermediate School. The highly respected Golden Bell Award will be presented at a special ceremony during CSBA's Awards Luncheon at the Marriott Marquis & Marina in San Diego, on Saturday, December 3 2011, from noon to 2:00 p.m. The event is held in conjunction with the California School Boards Associations' Annual education conference.

Day Creek Intermediate School's PACK program is an additional class period built into the school day designed to meet individual student needs in the areas of math and language arts. PACK classes provide students with 12 levels of differentiated instruction in addition to their core classroom instruction. The program was developed to address the statewide trend of declining achievement during the middle school years and close the achievement gap for all students.

The CSBA Golden Bell Awards program promotes excellence in education by recognizing outstanding programs in school districts and county offices of education throughout California. The Golden Bell Awards reflect the depth and breadth of the education programs necessary to address students' changing needs. The goal of this awards program is to contribute to the development and evaluation of curriculum, instruction, and support services.