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LEPORT SCHOOLS WELCOMES 1,000TH STUDENT

Irvine, California, MAY 22nd, 2014 – [LePort Schools](http://www.LePortSchools.com), a group of OC Montessori schools, is proud to welcome their 1,000th student.

Three-year old Hugh Kim of Irvine joined the [Orchard Hills campus](#) on April 21st. Now that he's been at school for a month, he is very happy to be here: "I love coming to school!" When asked why he loves coming to school, he replied, "I like playing with my friend Brandon."

Hugh's parents, Mr. Ildoo Kim and Mrs. Vray Shin, are very pleased with their decision to join the LePort community. "My husband and I were very happy to send my son, Hugh, to LePort, where we can trust the curriculum and the staff members," said Mrs. Shin. "We believed in the LePort philosophy and we just had no doubt about the quality of education that my son would get. I am grateful for all the support and love for Hugh, and am happy he got to be the 1,000th student!"

LePort Schools was founded in 2000, and has since grown to nine campuses, with Montessori schools in OC, LA and San Diego Counties. "Our goal is to bring authentic, high-quality Montessori education to ever more children," explains Heike Larson, Vice President of Outreach. "Since Montessori isn't trademarked, there are a wide variety of programs for parents to choose from. LePort parents appreciate that we hire Montessori teachers trained by the Association Montessori Internationale (the "gold standard" in Montessori training), invest in beautiful facilities and equip our schools with a full range of Montessori materials, so all of our teachers can provide a nurturing, quality Montessori experience to every child in our care. This passion for Montessori, and our professional, caring approach to interacting with children, parents and staff are a key driver of our success."

LePort Schools provides authentic [Montessori education](#) for infants through 3th grade and a unique [Knowledge for Life](#) curriculum for 4th – 8th grade students. LePort's mission is to enable children to acquire the essential knowledge, thinking skills, and strength of character necessary to flourish as happy children today and successful adults tomorrow.

To learn more about LePort's Montessori programs and schools, visit our [website](#) or attend one of our upcoming [Open Houses](#). For general questions or media inquiries, please contact us at Info@LePortSchools.com.

High-resolution photos are available upon request. Contact Info@LePortSchools.com.



Jami Jacobi, the Admin Director of the Irvine Orchard Hills campus, is proud to honor Hugh Kim with a certificate congratulating him for being LePort's 1,000th student.



The Irvine Orchard Hills campus, located in the Orchard Hills Village Center at Portola and Culver, offers programs for toddlers (age 2-3) and primary (age 3-6). It recently expanded into an adjacent space to admit more children, like Hugh, from the school's long waitlist.



Children like Hugh are able to acquire much cultural knowledge with hands-on [Montessori materials](#), like this Sandpaper Globe.



In LePort's [authentic Montessori preschool/kindergarten](#) program, 3-6 year old children thrive in mixed-age classroom communities, where they have long uninterrupted periods for child-led explorations. They joyfully learn to read, write and do arithmetic into the thousands, all by kindergarten.