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Soliciting Community Anecdotes for District's 150th Anniversary

San Diego City Schools celebrates 150 years of public education

SAN DIEGO – On July 1, 2004, San Diego City Schools (SDCS) began its 150th year of service. The district is celebrating the achievement by creating an online historical publication and photo album highlighting landmark events from the past 150 years. Included will be remembrances from Board members and district employees, photos and individual stories from the community, the 1954 publication prepared for the 100th anniversary, and a review of the past five decades.

SDCS invites the public to submit personal anecdotes or remembrances of district milestones from the past 150 years for compilation into the commemorative publication. Submitted stories must be 250 words or less and should recall landmark events (e.g., the first female superintendent.) Photographs require a caption and permission for publication, online and print, from the photographer/owner. To be considered for inclusion, all contributors must provide their name, address and contact information. Anonymous entries will not be included.

Please email submissions to communications@mail.sandi.net or fax them to (619) 725-5576 and specify "150th Anniversary Project" in the subject line. For more information, please contact the Communications Office at (619) 725-5578 or communications@mail.sandi.net.

Serving more than 138,000 students, San Diego City Schools is the second largest school district in California, with approximately 200 educational facilities and more than 14,500 full-time equivalent positions (representing more than 18,800 employees). SDCS is improving student achievement through a focus on basic education skills in reading, writing and mathematics. The district is committed to supporting schools and enhancing the classroom learning environment through modernized facilities and resources and through parent, teacher and community involvement in the educational process.

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"The mission of San Diego City Schools is to improve student achievement by supporting teaching and learning in the classroom."