



MEDIA ADVISORY

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Working Together For Students and Families

West Contra Costa Unified After-School Program Saved through City and Community Partnerships

RICHMOND, CA. March 30, 2009– When 645 students in the West Contra Costa Unified School District faced losing their after-school programs the rest of this school year, the Irene S. Scully Family Foundation, Chevron Richmond Refinery, Kaiser Permanente and the Cities of Richmond and San Pablo, partnered together to save the programs for Bayview, Coronado, Lincoln, Nystrom, and Riverside elementary schools. This successful partnership demonstrates the power of community collaboration and ensures that Richmond and San Pablo youth receive the benefit of a safe and enriching after-school environment.

A Press Conference will be held to announce funding of the After-School Program by the successful community partnership in West Contra Costa Unified. After-School Program students and families, as well as representatives from the school district, city governments and community partners, will spotlight the After-School Program and its role in the community, celebrate the community partnership developed to save this important program for youth, and recognize a vital commitment to education in West Contra Costa Unified.

WHAT: Press Conference and check presentation to recognize a community partnership between the Irene S. Scully Family Foundation, Chevron Richmond Refinery, Kaiser Permanente, the Cities of Richmond and San Pablo and the West Contra Costa Unified School District. Brief public presentations will be made by elected officials, students and families as well as a community partner check presentation to the After-School Program children.

WHEN: Thursday, April 2, 2009 9:30-10:30 AM

WHERE: Coronado Elementary School, Classroom #8, 2001 Virginia Street, Richmond, CA.
** For directions or parking information, please contact Coronado School at 510-231-1419.

WHO: West Contra Costa Unified School District, Irene S. Scully Family Foundation, Chevron Richmond Refinery, Kaiser Permanente, Cities of Richmond and San Pablo.

WHY: Spotlight the importance of the After-School Program as well as the ability of City governments and community partners working together to assist the children and families of West Contra Costa Unified School District.

###

For more information, contact:

West Contra Costa Unified School District
Irene S. Scully Family Foundation
Chevron Richmond Refinery
Kaiser Permanente
City of Richmond
City of San Pablo

Liz Torio 510-559-1251
Rebecca Brown 510-243-0122
Brent Tippen 510-242-4700
PJ Ballard 510-752-6121
Keith Jabari 510-620-6950
Brock Arner 510-215-3012