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MEDIA ADVISORY

Pittsburg Unified School District Celebrates Earth Day at Heights Elementary School

Heights Elementary and the Child Nutrition Department team up to offer students Earth Day inspired activities. Students will create a new spring garden, taste test foods from PUSD gardens, and plant fruit trees.

WHO: Students and Staff at Heights Elementary School

WHAT: An Earth Day Celebration: Students will get their hands dirty by planting a

new spring garden and donated fruit trees. They will also sample tabbouleh, smoothies, and fava beans, all of which were harvested at

school gardens throughout Pittsburg Unified School District.

WHERE: Heights Elementary School, 40 Seeno Street, Pittsburg, CA

WHEN: Friday, April 22, 2016: 9:00am – 12:00pm

WHY: The Child Nutrition Department hosts an annual Earth Day event to

inspire school children about fruits and veggies that are harvested during this time of year. Each month, up to 600 pounds of fruits and vegetables are harvested by the district's thirteen gardens. The harvests are divided among school cafeterias, offering children a wide variety of fresh fruits

and vegetables with their meals.

PHOTO OPP: Photo and video opportunities are available for the Earth Day festivities.

Please contact Nicky Mora, District Communications and PR Specialist, if

you plan on covering this event.

About Pittsburg Unified School District

Pittsburg Unified School District (PUSD) is a K-12 district serving the community of Pittsburg, California. Founded in 1933, the school system is committed to providing an excellent opportunity

for all students to learn. Comprised of eight elementary schools, three junior high schools, one comprehensive high school, one alternative education high school, an adult school, independent study, alternative learning experiences, and early childhood education services, the school district serves more than 10,500 students. PUSD is located in the San Francisco Bay Area, fifty minutes outside of downtown San Francisco.