

# SUMMARY OF “WHAT’S YOUR HEADLINE” ACTIVITY

Orange County Preschool Planning  
Collaborative  
Child Care Provider Meeting  
5-22-07

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## MONEY INVESTED IN QUALITY PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS FROM COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS PAYS OFF!

*“Orange County reading, writing and math skill levels have improved tremendously, because of preschool readiness programs.”  
- Suzie Apple, Kindergarten teacher*

**Orange County API scores are 100 points higher than a decade ago**

Success of scoring attributed to high-quality preschool programs.



# THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

ORANGE COUNTY



## THERE IS A HIGH QUALITY FULLY FUNDED PRESCHOOL SPACE FOR EVERY FOUR-YEAR-OLD IN ORANGE COUNTY

*“Orange County State Funded developmentally appropriate preschools prove to be the best for children in California.”*

*- The “Gov”*

### COLUMN ONE

***State Funding Approved for New Preschool Facility***

**Bilingual Services Offered**

***State of the Art Facility Including: Sensory Motor Gym, Art Emporium and Music Room***

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# Daily News Tribune

ORANGE COUNTY ONLINE EDITION

**FULLERTON ACHIEVES  
100% PARTICIPATION IN  
PRE-K PROGRAM BY  
ADDING 10 NEW  
FACILITIES**



**STATE PRESCHOOL  
RECEIVES GOVERNOR'S  
AWARD FOR MODEL  
CLASSROOM**



**FAMILY LIBRARY  
OPENS WITH  
INSTRUCTIONAL  
MATERIALS IN 3  
LANGUAGES**



*“My children have succeeded  
in school from their earliest  
experience. I feel I have a  
'say' in my community.”  
- Orange County Parent*

**TRANSPORTATION  
INCLUDED FOR  
PRESCHOOL STUDENTS**



**Personal benefits:  
High School  
dropout rate  
decreases to 1%**



**Social Benefits:  
Integration of  
family, school,  
community  
“shared  
experiences”**



**Environmental  
benefits:  
Orange County  
“Greenest”  
County in CA**



**Economic Benefits:  
Unemployment  
decreases**



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## **FAMILY CHILD CARE MAKING “BIG STEPS” TOWARDS ENRICHING AND EXCITING CHILDREN TO LOVE THE ARTS**

*“My child would not have been able to experience this without the extra preschool funding.”*

*- Mrs. Smith*

### **COLUMN ONE**

**500 children in various family child care homes are receiving piano lessons weekly.**

**Six family child care providers converge on South County Repertory to see a performance of Peter Pan.**

**A famous author of children’s books graciously donates 250 of her books to 4-year-olds from family child care homes at Magnolia Park.**

**More 4-year-olds are enrolling in ballet and jazz classes through their own family child care homes. 5,000 children are presently enrolled since funding became available six months ago.**

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# CHILDREN FROM QUALITY FAMILY CHILD CARE EXCEED ALL EXPECTATIONS IN KINDERGARTEN

*President Oprah Winfrey states "Orange County model is now the model for the nation." "Leave it to the O.C."*

**Class of 2025 has most college-bound students as a direct result of plans implemented through the Orange County Department of Education in 2010**

**Parents say family child care was the foundation of all their children's success!!**



**U.S. graduates ranked highest in world –way up from 45<sup>th</sup> spot in 2007**