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NEWCOMB ACADEMY

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Long Beach Unified School District

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Dear Newcomb Families,

The end of the 2011/2012 academic year is fast approaching, and with that begins a period of change for Newcomb Academy students, parents, teachers and administrators as we prepare to move to our new temporary location. The purpose of this letter is to remind the Newcomb community that all of the programs and high standards of teaching that made Newcomb Academy a top performing school will remain in place through the move and extend to the new campus.

We are pleased to report that Long Beach Unified School District has committed to providing facilities to house the enrichment programs that are unique to Newcomb Academy and were put in place by the Newcomb Academy Foundation and PTSA. These facilities include the computer labs for both elementary and middle school students, a keyboarding lab that supports ST Math (also known as "Jiji" Math), the science lab and facilities for the music program. These facilities were built through the dedication and commitment of Newcomb Academy parents and community and will remain in place to benefit Newcomb Academy students both at our temporary location as well as the new campus.

We also want to share our optimism for our temporary campus location. The district is working with us to make the necessary accommodations for our students and staff. In addition, after a recent walk through of the campus, we feel confident that parents will be pleased with the conditions of the campus, which are more up-to-date and modern than our current campus. If you would like to learn more about the campus move and project update, we invite you to attend the LBUSD project update meeting taking place in the Newcomb Auditorium on May 23, 2012, from 6 – 7 p.m. Plans for new construction, relocation, and transportation (including driving, walking, and drop off/pick-up routine) to/from our temporary campus will be discussed.

Regarding construction of our new campus, planning is in full swing and demolition will begin after the school year ends. We are excited to share with you a vision of a new, safe campus that reflects both form and function. Classes will be housed in comfortable classrooms that will create a positive learning environment. The end result will be a campus that Newcomb families and the surrounding community can take great pride in. We encourage you to take a look at the work-in-progress plans for the new campus, viewable online at: www.NewcombAcademyFoundation.com under "News."

We look forward to you joining us on the journey ahead. Change and growth are sometimes accompanied by temporary inconvenience and there will be challenges to face as we undertake the move. We are confident that the strength of our Newcomb community will remain intact during this transition and the vision of the new campus will be worth the wait. We will share updates with you as they become available.

Sincerely,

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