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I want to take this time to heartily thank all of our many community supporters! As we point towards the spring, I continue to be so pleased and humbled to see the diverse, balanced, and quality programs our district is offering students. The humility is so vivid with the amount of engaged support that surrounds our students, and the way they are coated with thoughtful community outreach for each adventure they tackle.

As an educational community, we should feel proud of the many diverse opportunities our young people have to engage their lives and passions. Award winning arts programs, consistently recognized athletic programs, as well as leadership and academic activities that allow our work to extend beyond the traditional four walls of an educational environment. The concept of “college and career readiness” had strong and deep roots of tradition in the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District long before it became today’s national and state focus.

In an era when we have successfully strived to reach high marks with so many of our traditional assessments, our district and community have partnered to provide a balance for our students. If we looked deep into history, it would be a “renaissance” of a sort that had the “whole-child” as its focus. The evidence around our community and the stellar impression our students leave beyond is impressive. That long-term school and community influence is on regular display with the number of young people who return to our community to serve and raise their families.

The Ford Motor Company used the tag line, “Quality is Job 1,” and the quality of students we are producing would be a walk-aroundable definition to that phrase. We are proud, and rightly so, as the investment by our communities is withstanding one of the most valid assessments we know...time!

So, as we head into the spring season, I want to thank all of our supporters for your consistently thoughtful efforts. We are grateful and will continue to pursue levels of excellence that will define our communities and our futures.

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