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District Reviews Homework Policy, Transitional Kindergarten and Budget

Pleasanton, California– At the March 13th Governing Board meeting, Pleasanton Unified School District's Second Interim Budget was approved. The Governing Board has made very difficult decisions through program cuts and will continue to work with employee groups in anticipation of the Governor's tax initiative in November.

Trustees heard the results of surveys given to teachers, parents, and students regarding the implementation of the revised homework policy. The information gathered confirms the value of ongoing dialogue about the quantity and quality of homework at school sites.

The Governing Board and staff recognize that changing long standing practices such as assigning and completing homework is a process that takes time. Ongoing assessment of implementation of the revised policy will continue in the months to come.

The Governing Board approved the implementation of Transitional Kindergarten for the 2012-13 school year. This new program will provide a two year, developmentally appropriate curriculum for our youngest students entering school.

Students born between **December 3, 2006** and **November 1, 2007** may only register for kindergarten for the 2012-13 school year. Children born before **November 2, 2007** and **December 2, 2007** will register for Transitional Kindergarten only. Transitional K students should only register with the District Pupil Services Department. Families with September and October birthdays MAY request a spot in Transitional Kindergarten.

Placement of these requests (September and October birthdays) will be done on a space available basis. In the meantime, these families should register for regular kindergarten in the meantime. Questions about Transitional Kindergarten may be directed to the PUSD Pupil Services Office at (925) 426-4290.

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