

## FOUNTAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## To Local Residents and Tenants

The Fountain Valley School District is considering selling three former school sites: The Lamb site at 10251 Yorktown, Huntington Beach; the Nicolas site at 9300 Gardenia Avenue, Fountain Valley; and the Wardlow site at 9191 Pioneer Drive, Huntington Beach. These sites are currently used by a number of public agencies, private businesses and recreation groups.

The District's intent is to sell these three sites for residential development as single-family homes. The proceeds from the sales would be invested. The revenue stream from these investments would be utilized to maintain schools, improve programs/services for students and to recruit and retain employees.

One concern often raised when a school district disposes of property is what would happen if enrollment grows and there is a need for more classrooms. As a response to this concern, the District recently contracted for a study analyzing projected future enrollment. These projections indicate that enrollment will decline from 6250 currently to about 5700 in seven to eight years. In addition, the District has capacity for about 400 more students than are currently enrolled. Finally, there is very little property within the Fountain Valley School District which could be developed and generate new enrollment.

We recognize that there may be issues about this potential development which the surrounding communities may wish to raise, so a District Advisory Committee has been formed. The purpose of this group is to receive community input and recommend a course of action to the District's Board of Trustees. A public hearing will be held on this matter on:

Wednesday, January 19, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. District Office Board Room 17210 Oak Street, Fountain Valley

The Advisory Committee would like to receive your input prior to making its recommendation. If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may send a written comment prior to January 19, 2005, to:

Dr. Barry Blade, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services District Advisory Committee 17210 Oak Street Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Sincerely,

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