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GRAND OPENING OF THE CENTINELA VALLEY CENTER FOR THE ARTS

LAWNDALE, May 11, 2011 – Centinela Valley Union High School District is proud to announce the long-awaited Grand Opening of the Centinela Valley Center for the Arts (CVCA). The inaugural ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, May 21, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. at 14901 Inglewood Avenue, Lawndale, California.

Construction of the 50,000 square foot center began in November 2002 and was completed in April 2011. The facility has a seating capacity of 1,200, a hydraulic orchestra pit, dressing rooms with make-up stations, audio and video feed from the theater, a costume shop, a scene shop and a screen with a 22' x 40' usable image area.

The CVCA is unique because no other high school in Southern California has an opportunity for its students to work and learn in a comprehensive, world class, state-of-the-art performing arts environment that can offer training in entry-level to highly-technical skills in the entertainment industry.

The CVCA will provide students of Centinela Valley Union High School District opportunities to observe and work with industry professionals from a wide array of performance disciplines, as well as to assist and benefit their community through outreach programs. The experiences can pave the way for high paying jobs and fulfilling careers in the ever-increasing, technologically advanced entertainment industry.

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