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Greetings CMP Families,

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson has released the 2010 Base Academic Performance Index (API) and the public school ranks, marking the start of California's annual reporting cycle of academic growth and achievement. California Montessori Project leaders will use this information to identify student and school needs, and provide instructional strategies and interventions.

I am pleased to announce that all of the schools within the California Montessori Project exceeded the state standard of 800 on the Academic Performance Index. This is a significant accomplishment, and provides further evidence that Montessori methodology and instruction contribute to the academic success of our students, as measured by state standards. Congratulations to our students, teachers and school leaders!

For the STAR-Test period of 2010-11, CMP-Capitol campus received an API of 810, CMP-San Juan (American River, Carmichael and Orangevale) received a collective API of 812, CMP-Elk Grove received an API of 832 and CMP-Shingle Springs received an API of 890. These scores compare favorably to the authorizing districts and neighboring schools, and are well above the state API of 778.

As always, the STAR Test is one of many indicators of our successful program. As the Executive Director of California Montessori Project, I am committed to serve our learning community, as we provide an exceptional, well-rounded, contemporary education for every student.

Thanks, as always, for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gary".

Gary S. Bowman, M.S.Ed.