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Canyon High Students Excelling in Academics and Athletics

ORANGE, Calif., March 10, 2011–The Orange Unified School District is pleased to announce that there are exciting happenings on the campus of Canyon High School.

The Girls Basketball team won the CIF Southern Section Divisions 2A Championship last week and opened the state tournament with a win Tuesday. The Lady Comanches continue this exciting run tonight at Canyon versus West View San Diego. This is the first time since 1989 that the Comanches have participated in the CIF finals. Congratulations to head coach Matt Dale and assistant coach Chris Anderson.

The Canyon High School Science Olympiad team received sixth place in the Regional competition held last Friday at Golden West College. This qualifies them for the 26th Annual California State Science Olympiad South Competition, to be held Saturday April 9th at Canyon High School. Congratulations to coach Chrissy Hanna and Ken Shimizu – the team has been practicing every Saturday since November.

Canyon High School English Teacher Tannis Deloyola submitted three pieces of student work to Chapman's annual Holocaust Art and Writing which was held last Friday. The submitted art work was from ninth grade students Briley Lewis and Kelli Bump, and a poem was submitted by Audrey Nguyen who is also a 9th grader. Audrey's poetry was chosen as one of six Finalists out of the 43 high schools. All three of these students were participants in a field trip to the awards ceremony at Chapman University, and afterwards, they got to "mingle" with and get autographs from Holocaust survivors from the 1939 Club.

Canyon High School recently held its "Top of the Tribe" awards ceremonies to recognize academic excellence. Students and parents attended a ceremony held at the school where certificates and pins were presented. Refreshments were provided by the Canyon PTSA. Here is a breakdown of the awards given by class: 167 freshmen received awards for having a 4.0 grade point average or better; 149 sophomores received awards for having a 4.0 grade point average or better; 169 juniors received awards for having a 4.0 grade point average or better; and 150 seniors received awards for having a 4.0 grade point average or better. This totals 26% of the Canyon High School student body.

The Orange Unified School District is located at 1401 North Handy Street in Orange, CA

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