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### **LAUSD APPOINTS INTERIM SOUTH BAY SUPERINTENDENT** *National Search Planned to Select Leader of Local District 8*

Los Angeles - Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) Superintendent David L. Brewer III announced the appointment of Dona Stevens as interim superintendent to oversee Local District 8, which encompasses the South Bay area.

A 21-year LAUSD veteran, Stevens most recently served as administrator of instructional services for Local District 8. Superintendent Brewer is currently conducting a nationwide search to select a permanent leader for the local district, which serves San Pedro, Banning, Carson, Gardena and Narbonne.

"I am pleased to welcome Dona Stevens as our Local District 8 Interim Superintendent," said Superintendent Brewer. "With two decades of education experience and expertise, I am confident she will continue our progress in providing a world-class education for our students."

Prior to her current position, Stevens was the coordinator of instructional support services for the area. Other positions she has held include principal at White Point Elementary School, assistant principal at Meyler Elementary School, acting principal at Halldale Elementary School, bilingual coordinator and classroom teacher. She has been with the District since 1985. Her appointment is effective January 1, 2007.

"I have worked with all the schools in District 8 and this will give me the opportunity to continue to work with an outstanding group of enthusiastic staff members and parents," said Stevens.

Stevens will be replacing current Local District Superintendent Dr. Myrna Rivera, who was recently named Superintendent of the Culver City School District.

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