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Dear Parents:

The California State Legislature passed and Governor Schwarzenegger signed into law SBX5 4 (Romero), Open Enrollment, allowing parents the right to transfer their child/children out of a school that has been identified as one of the 1,000 low-achieving schools in California. As a parent and/or guardian you have the option to transfer your child for the 2011-2012 school year to another school with a higher Academic Performance Index (API) than your current school. This might be a school in the Snowline District, or a school in another district. Applications will be accepted starting January 1, 2011 for the 2011/12 school year.

Please be aware that SBX5 4 states that no local district shall have more than ten percent of its schools on the list of 1,000. This means that not all schools on the list are actually the lowest performing 1,000 schools in the state. Vista Verde Elementary School has increased their API scores from 751 to 756 over the last two years. It is our hope that your child/children will remain at Vista Verde Elementary School and thus benefit from program efforts to improve the school and increase student achievement.

Schools available for your choice within our district are:

- Baldy Mesa Elementary School
- Piñon Hills Elementary School
- Heritage School
- Wrightwood Elementary School

Please realize that you are not required to transfer your child/children. If you choose to exercise the Open Enrollment transfer option, you may obtain an application from your child's school. This application may be completed and submitted to Kathy Sharkey at the Snowline Joint Unified School District Office beginning January 1, 2011.

Transportation costs and/or fees are not included under the Open Enrollment statute and are the responsibility of the parent. To transfer to a school outside of Snowline School District, you will need to request an application from that school or their district office. Additionally, receiving districts/schools may reject admission if they have established policies and guidelines that may include capacity of the school or program.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact Kathy Sharkey at (760) 868-5817, ext. 7225, or kathy_sharkey@snowlineschools.com.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ryan Holman
Assistant Superintendent
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**Snowline Joint Unified School District
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Open Enrollment Registration Form

This form is used to notify the district that you are requesting to transfer your child from a school identified as "low achieving" to a school in the district with a higher API score. If you have questions regarding the transfer process, please contact: **Kathy Sharkey at 760-868-5817, ext 7225 or kathy_sharkey@snowlineschools.com**.

Please submit this form to the Snowline School District Office AFTER 1-1-11.

Please complete this information if you are interested in transferring your child.

Student Name	(Last Name)	(First Name)	(Middle Name)
Current Grade			
Date of Birth			
Parent's Name			
Mailing Address			
Telephone Number			
Current School of Enrollment			

Requested School Assignment: Please prioritize your choices. Final placement is the district's responsibility; however, every effort will be made to honor your request.

FIRST CHOICE: _____

SECOND CHOICE: _____

Is your child currently receiving any special services?

English learner services: Yes _____ No _____ GATE: Yes _____ No _____

Special Education services: Yes _____ No _____