Dear Parents and Students:

The Irvine Unified School District is excited to offer its annual Summer School program for grades 9-12 at University High School from June 20 through July 29. Classes will be held Monday through Friday, with the exception of the July 4 holiday.

Parents and students are encouraged to discuss summer school enrollment with their counselors, paying careful attention to the prerequisites listed in the 2011 Summer School Course Catalog. Only those students who meet the prerequisites will be allowed to enroll in the course offering, and all times, rules and deadlines are final. Registration materials will be available at each high school – and online – the week of March 28. Completed registration cards are to be returned to the IUSD District Office, <u>not</u> your student's school site, from April 11 through May 6, Monday through Thursday 3:00-5:00 pm and Friday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm.

As you are aware, schools throughout California have been severely impacted by the state budget crisis, and a recent legal settlement prohibits districts from charging fees to enroll in summer school. While some districts have opted to cut their summer programs entirely, the Irvine Unified School District is seeking to preserve this valuable opportunity by asking for donations from participating families. Below each course description in the catalog, you will find a "suggested donation" amount to help cover the cost of the instructor, materials and facilities. Please know that a donation is not required to enroll, and families that choose to contribute may do so at any amount. Our goal is to offer each of these courses, and your donation will help support this goal. Please know that insufficient enrollment and insufficient funding could result in course cancellations. Families that contributed to canceled courses will be refunded the week following registration.

IUSD's Summer School program presents an incredible opportunity for our students, whether they're pursuing remediation, enrichment or the chance to get ahead. As such, we're hoping our new funding model is enough to sustain these courses in 2011 – and for many years to come.

If you have any questions, please contact your student's counselor.

Best of luck!

Christopher Krebs

Principal