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Charter School Named after California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger

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07/30/2007 -- In honor of Governor Schwarzenegger's commitment to the education of all California children, today the CHIME Charter Elementary School will be renamed in honor of the Governor, to the CHIME Institute's Arnold Schwarzenegger Elementary School. Located in Woodland Hills, the newly renamed elementary school is part of the CHIME Institute.

"I am honored to have a high-quality institution like CHIME Charter Elementary named in my honor. The CHIME Institute shares my commitment to educating all children," said Governor Schwarzenegger.

CHIME Institute implements a co-teaching model where general and special education teachers provide curriculum and learning experiences that meet the needs of all students.

In recognition of their success, CHIME Charter Elementary School was named "Charter School of the Year" by California Charter School Association in 2005 and in the same year was recognized by the U.S. Department of Education as a leading model of inclusive education.

CHIME Institute works with California State University at Northridge (CSUN) Michael D. Eisner College of Education in implementing inclusive education. The CHIME Educator Development Center offers observation and training on inclusive education for student-teachers at CSUN.

Additionally, CHIME Institute shares best practices in inclusive education, hosting a number of educators nearly every week. Last year, the school hosted visitors from across the country and the world including from New York, Rhode Island, Korea, Japan, Australia and Scotland.

Founded in 1990, CHIME Institute was funded by the U.S. Department of Education and developed by faculty from the CSUN College of Education. In 1991, its infant/toddler program was founded and in 1999 it received its first charter. In 2001, the CHIME Charter Elementary School in Woodland Hills was launched, soon followed by the CHIME Charter Middle School in 2003.

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Sure, but can the kids spell 'Schwarzenegger'?

Posted by Josh Richman on July 30th, 2007

The CHIME Charter Elementary School in Woodland Hills today was renamed in honor of Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Part of the [CHIME Institute](#), the Arnold Schwarzenegger Elementary School "implements a co-teaching model where general and special education teachers provide curriculum and learning experiences that meet the needs of all students," according to a [news release](#). It was named "Charter School of the Year" by the [California Charter Schools Association](#) in 2005, and in the same year was recognized by the [U.S. Department of Education](#) as a leading model of inclusive education. Last year, the school hosted visitors from across the country and the world including from New York, Rhode Island, Korea, Japan, Australia and Scotland.

"I am honored to have a high-quality institution like CHIME Charter Elementary named in my honor. The CHIME Institute shares my commitment to educating all children," the governor said in his release.

UPDATE @ 2:10 P.M. MONDAY: I almost forgot: today's the governor's 60th birthday!!! Maybe the CHIME kids will throw him a pizza party.

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