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Cutting Edge Elementary Provides Distinct Alternative

San Diego – Integral Elementary School of La Jolla, which prides itself on not just teaching, but creating lifelong learners, opened the doors of its new 8,000 square foot campus on September 5, 2006. San Diego parents in search of a more effective, thoughtful education for their children are turning to the new Integral method.

The Integral philosophy offers an alternative to the current “test fixated” system in the United States, according to the school’s founder and principal, Prapanna Smith. The small but growing school has attracted many parents who are extremely pleased with the very different, but highly effective education their children are receiving.

While still following the California State Standards, an Integral education allows students to create, with the help of teachers and parents, a learning plan that focuses on their individual strengths and interests. This facilitates having the children experience a true desire for and joy in learning. The school uses nontraditional approaches and assessments to let children demonstrate what they know in real-world situations. It also utilizes cross-aged tutoring and cross-disciplined groupings based on skill sets and abilities. Grade levels become less significant in this type of environment, as students excel and learn at a pace that is appropriate for them as individuals.

Integral Elementary boasts an 11:1 student to teacher ratio. In addition to standard academics, students also focus on the arts, society & culture, meditation skills, and physical education, including yoga.

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