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**Global Torch Relay to Reach La Jolla School on June 6**

### **WORLD HARMONY RUN LINKS THE WORLD --SPREADS HARMONY ACROSS AMERICA**

**La Jolla** –A relay run across the length and breadth of America, which is dedicated to the cause of world peace & harmony, will pass through La Jolla on **June 6 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.** Runners in the 50-state USA World Harmony Run are carrying a flaming torch to symbolize their goal of world peace and harmony through sports. The relay is intended to inspire others to also work for a more harmonious world. The runners will be making a presentation at the Integral Elementary School in La Jolla, off Gilman Drive, when they arrive there at 9:00 in the morning. The children at the school will also be making a presentation to the runners as well, to thank them for their efforts. They will be singing songs and doing a small yoga presentation to the runners, to show their own inner peace and harmony.

The World Harmony Run touches the lives of millions of people along its route. The runners visit schools, community groups, running clubs, and local and national government organizations. At these stops they talk about their experiences, and share their inspiration and enthusiasm for the goal of world harmony. “By carrying the torch, you will be bridging cultural and social barriers, and all the boundaries that separate nation from nation. The trials on the road to world-harmony are no greater than the courage of those who accept the challenge,” says Carl Lewis, nine-time Olympic Gold Medallist and World Harmony Run spokesman.

The 10,000-mile USA World Harmony Run is part of the 100-nation global relay—which emphasizes a global theme of international harmony and multi-cultural understanding—has been held every other year since 1987. The World Harmony Run includes simultaneous running events in Canada, Eastern and Western Europe, Latin America, Asia, Africa, the Middle East and Australia.

Follow the World Harmony Run’s journey across America in “Live from the Road” on the website [www.worldharmonyrun.org/usa](http://www.worldharmonyrun.org/usa).

The Integral Elementary School, where the runners are stopping in the UTC/La Jolla area, is a new and innovative school for children in grades K thru 6. While meeting and/or exceeding the California State Standards, an Integral education allows students to create, with the help of teachers and parents, a learning plan that also focuses on the student's individual strengths and interests, which allows them to experience a true joy and desire for 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 ability levels, so that the students can learn from, and help teach, each other. Integral Elementary boasts about a 12:1 student to teacher ratio. In addition to standard academics, students also focus on the arts, character development, communication skills, leadership, introspection skills, and physical education, including yoga for children and the cutting edge “Awareness Through the Body” program. Integral Elementary also has a sister school, the Rainbow Kids Integral Preschool. More information can be found on their websites, [www.IntegralElementary.com](http://www.IntegralElementary.com) and [www.RainbowKidsSchool.com](http://www.RainbowKidsSchool.com), or by calling (858) 450-4321.

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