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Dear families in the SFUSD wait pool:

I have heard and understand your concerns regarding the effect that the district's recent re-assignment of 23 families from Leonard R. Flynn and Alvarado Elementary may have on the wait pools at other schools. Thank you to all of you who have contacted us and offered suggestions regarding ways to ameliorate this difficult situation.

Based on your requests, we have decided to extend the wait pool runs for kindergarten families to November 7, 2008. This extension is only for kindergarten families as this is the only group that may be impacted by the district's re-assignment process of the 23 Flynn and Alvarado families.

The 23 re-assigned families from Flynn and Alvarado will be given until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, August 8, to accept their new assignment offers. Once we know where these families are assigned we can assess how wait pools at other schools will be affected, and we will consider whether or not we can minimize the impact. Increasing class sizes to 21 is costly; this decision was made to accommodate the unique hardship our error caused the 23 re-assigned families. In light of the state budget crisis, we are closely monitoring to see if the state may allow more flexibility of increasing class size as an option.

Finally, I am excited to announce that the Spanish Dual Immersion Program at Daniel Webster will begin this year regardless of whether any of the 23 re-assigned families select this program. Now more families will have the option to enroll in a Spanish Immersion program this year. Families who are interested in enrolling their child in this new program can contact the Educational Placement Center at (415) 241-6085.

I thank you for your dedication to our schools, and I look forward to working together with you to make all our schools worthy of your children.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Carlos A. Garcia", written in a cursive style.

Superintendent Carlos A. Garcia