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FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT ***Steven Van Zandt to Visit Orangethorpe School***

(Fullerton, CA) – As part of the TeachRock program, Steven Van Zandt, will be visiting Orangethorpe School on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. TeachRock is a national curriculum initiative for students in grades K-12, created to address the challenges of an environment in which schools face cuts to arts funding. Along with Bruce Springsteen, Bono, Martin Scorsese, and Jackson Browne, Steven Van Zandt started the Rock and Roll Forever Foundation which is the parent organization of TeachRock.

TeachRock includes interdisciplinary, arts-driven materials designed to keep students engaged and in school. The curriculum is available to educators at no cost and includes lesson plans, historical resources, and multimedia support materials, all in alignment with national and state educational standards. It is designed to help teachers engage students by connecting the history of popular music to classroom work across disciplines.

“As the flagship TeachRock Partner School, Orangethorpe School has embraced the power of arts integration in the classroom. The Teach Rock Arts Integration Specialist has not only built lessons, but also lasting relationships with our teachers, resulting in a true art awakening at Orangethorpe. Our teachers feel empowered to adapt the lessons for their students' levels and the students love using Rock and Roll as a medium for learning. We are so excited to show the world how Teach Rock has positively impacted our school!” stated Dr. Ginger Frady, Principal at Orangethorpe School

The Fullerton School District is located in northern Orange County, California and serves just under 13,000 students in grades TK – 8th. The Fullerton School District includes 20 schools, 15 elementary schools, two K-8th grade schools, and three middle schools. The mission of the Fullerton School District is to work collaboratively with the community to provide an innovative, high-quality educational program for all students in a safe learning environment. The District motto, “*Great Schools - Successful Kids*” exemplifies the belief that all students will achieve

academic excellence, acquire interpersonal skills, and develop technological expertise to contribute as productive citizens in a democratic society. For more information, call 714/447-7400 or visit www.fullertonsd.org.

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For more information, please feel free to contact Dr. Ginger Frady/Principal, Orangethorpe School at 714/447-7430