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TCA ARSHAG DICKRANIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL
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TCA Arshag Dickranian School Pre-K and Kindergarten Graduation

Los Angeles, June 14, 2012 - The graduation ceremony of Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students of TCA Arshag Dickranian School took place on Thursday, June 7th, 2012 at the Walter & Laurel Karabian Hall. Organized by Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Anahid Avanesian, Pre-Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Madlena Marikyan and T.A. Mrs. Tamara Nahapetyan, the children impressed their parents with a clever and colorful show of songs, poetry and dance, in which they reflected the knowledge and skills they acquired during the academic year.

The ceremony started at 7:30pm with the welcoming remarks Mrs. Anahid Avanesian who greeted the parents and guests attending the event. She also welcomed Kindergarten benefactress Mrs. Dikranouhi Mkhsi-Gevorkian and her son Vartan Mkhsi-Gevorkian. Planning to retire after serving the school for 30 years, Mrs. Avanesian ended her remarks by thanking staff, teachers and guests. "I would like to thank all those who worked by my side throughout these years, making it a pleasant experience. I would like to thank Mrs. Dikranouhi Mkhsi-Gevorkian and her late husband Noubar for their contribution by becoming the sponsors of the Kindergarten classroom. Our school provides a heavy curriculum and in order to make it exciting for the students, we focus on teaching them through play. I have enjoyed my time working with the children, seeing something unique and different about each child every day."



Left to right: Pre-Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Madlena Marikyan, T.A. Mrs. Tamara Nahapetyan and Principal Vartkes Kourouyan with the Pre-Kindergartners.

Following Mrs. Avanesian's opening remarks, the Kindergarten students performed a short skit of "Who Stole the Cookie from the Cookie Jar" with the lead of 4th grade student Victoria Topalian, who also recited a short poem about Armenian names. Next, the Pre-Kindergartners took the stage dressed in vibrant costumes singing, dancing and reciting poetry about stars. Then the Kindergartners presented a fun dance about the four seasons. The Pre-Kindergartners concluded their part of the performance by marching through the audience and

stepping up to the stage where each recited a short poem about various topics ranging from colors to announcing their transition to Kindergarten next year.

Mrs. Anahid Avanesian and Principal Vartkes Kourouyan then invited Mrs. Mkhsi-Gevorkian to hand out the diplomas to the Pre-Kindergartners and Kindergartners.

Left to right: T.A. Mrs. Tamara Nahapetyan, Kindergarten benefactress Mrs. Dikranouhi Mkhsi-Gevorkian, Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Anahid Avanesian and Principal Vartkes Kourouyan along with the graduating Kindergarten and Pre-Kindergarten classes

Principal Kourouyan delivered the closing remarks by thanking Mrs. Anahid Avanesian for her dedication to the school and all her creative, educational efforts in preparing young Armenians for the next stages of life.





Kindergarteners Emma Shanakian, Kayla Aghakhanian and Nectaria Aroyan reciting poetry

At the end all guest, parents, teachers and students were led to an open buffet of light snacks, mingling together and congratulating the young graduates for their lovely performance and important achievement.

Located at 1200 N. Cahuenga Blvd., Los Angeles, the TCA Arshag Dickranian Armenian School is a federally tax exempt, Pre-K to 12th grade private educational institution. For more information visit the school website at www.dickranianschool.org.

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