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Political star highlights school open house

ENCINITAS — Lindsay Hopkins, the political director of the Democratic Party of Orange County, will be the guest of honor at the upcoming Grauer School Open House from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jan. 31 at 1500 S. El Camino Real.

In her current role as political director, Hopkins worked on the partnership with "Obama for America" campaign. Hopkins graduated from The Grauer School and obtained her Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the UC Irvine in 2007. Within days of her graduation, she was hired as the political director of the Democratic Party of Orange County. Prior to graduating from UC Irvine, she took a quarter off to work for the California Democratic Party, inspiring her to spearhead an impressive Democratic Party of Orange County internship program when she took the office of political director. She grew the program from seven interns to 72 interns during the presidential campaign and currently maintains 30 interns on her staff.

"I credit The Grauer School with a lot of my success," Hopkins said. "I started attending the school in eighth grade and I had fantastic teachers. I was particularly challenged in writing skills, but by the end of eighth grade I



SUCCESS STORY The Grauer School graduate and political director of the Democratic Party of Orange County, Lindsay Hopkins, pictured above with President Barack Obama, will be on hand at the upcoming Grauer School open house from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jan. 31 at 1500 S. El Camino Real, Encinitas. *Courtesy photo*

could write very well. Because I was proficient in math, the customized math program was great. The school also encourages students to find their chosen path through open expression and creative dialog; I realized I wanted to go into political science after I had a verbal disagreement with another

student on the subject of welfare. This is what led me to change my chosen major, and I am grateful to the school for creating an environment that is conducive to that.

For further information, call (760) 944-6777 or visit www.grauerschool.com.