



**SANTA CRUZ**  
COUNTY OFFICE OF  
**EDUCATION**  
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**Santa Cruz County Board of Education**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, August 15, 2024**  
**4:00 pm**  
**Boardroom and/or Zoom**

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## **AGENDA**

### **1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

Sue Roth (President), Ed Acosta, Edward Estrada, Sandra Nichols, Abel Sanchez, Bruce Van Allen, Rachel Williams  
Faris Sabbah (Secretary)

#### **1.1 Board Member Remote Attendance Approval**

Per AB 2449, Trustees may participate in the Board meeting remotely under the following conditions:

- Just Cause, or Emergency Circumstances
- Board Approval

Motion &

Voice Vote: Sue Roth (President)

### **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Superintendent Sabbah will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Agenda deletions and/or sequence changes will be approved or the agenda will be approved as submitted.

### **4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

This is an opportunity for the public to address the Board regarding items outside the agenda. The Board President will recognize any member of the audience not previously placed on the agenda who wishes to speak on a matter directly related to school business. Each speaker, on any specific topic, may speak for up to **three (3) minutes** unless otherwise limited or extended by the President. The President may allot time to those wishing to speak but no action will be taken on matters presented (EDC § 35145.5). If appropriate, the President, or any Member of the Board, may direct that a matter be referred to the Superintendent's Office for placement on a future agenda. Please refer to item, *Please Note*, on the last item of this agenda.

### **5. CONSENT AGENDA**

All items appearing on the consent agenda are recommended actions which are considered to be routine in nature and will be acted upon as one motion. Specific items may be removed for separate consideration. Item(s) removed will be considered immediately following the consent agenda motion as Deferred Consent Items.

5.0.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on July 18, 2024

5.0.2 Budget Revisions

5.0.3 Teaching Assignment Monitoring Outcomes (TAMO) for 2022-2023

#### **5.1 DEFERRED CONSENT ITEMS (if required)**

This item is placed on the agenda to address any items that might be pulled from Agenda Item 5.0 for further discussion/consideration if so determined.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

Official correspondence received by the Board, if any, is included herein. Copies of correspondence received within 72 hours of the meeting will be made available at the meeting location.

**7. NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS**

**7.1 Prop 28 Arts and Music in Schools, Annual Report**

Proposition 28, known as the Arts and Music in Schools (AMS) Funding Guarantee and Accountability Act, was approved by California voters on November 8, 2022. This initiative aims to provide consistent annual funding for arts education in K-12 public schools, including charter schools, by allocating an amount equal to 1% of the total state and local revenues received under Proposition 98 from the previous fiscal year. Under this proposition, schools are required to submit annual board-approved reports detailing how funds were spent.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
Denise Guerra-Sanson, Executive Director, Student Program

Motion &  
Voice Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**7.2 Approve Resolution #24-28 In Support of the City of Santa Cruz's Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax Proposal**

The Santa Cruz County Board of Education supports a proposal to impose a two-cent per fluid-ounce tax on sugar-sweetened beverages in Santa Cruz. This measure aims to address troubling trends in youth health, such as obesity and diabetes, by reducing the consumption of unhealthy beverages. Modeled after similar successful taxes in other California cities, this initiative could generate up to \$1.3 million annually for essential city services, including youth programs. A Community Oversight Panel would ensure a transparent allocation of the funds towards health and wellness programs benefiting the community.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
Martine Watkins, City of Santa Cruz, Council member

Motion &  
Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**7.3 Approve Resolution #24-29 Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15 - Oct. 15)**

Each year our nation observes Hispanic Heritage Month, a commemoration started in 1968 and expanded in 1988 to cover the 30-day period of September 15 to October 15, with its first day commemorating the start of the Mexican War of Independence, leading to the independence of Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Honduras, and Nicaragua. The Board is asked to recognize September 15 through October 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month and encourages all students, faculty, administrators, and parents, to remember and celebrate the contributions that Hispanic Americans have made to California and the United States.

Presenter(s): Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach, and Legislation Committee  
Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**7.4 Approve Resolution #24-30 National Suicide Prevention Month**

September is nationally recognized as Suicide Prevention Month. Santa Cruz County Office of Education is committed to supporting the mental and emotional health of students and staff in Santa Cruz County. The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution #24-30 Recognizing National Suicide Prevention Month.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach, and Legislation Committee

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**7.5 Approve Resolution #24-31 Proposition 2: Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024**

Proposition 2, on the 2024 ballot, seeks to authorize state bonds to fund the modernization, repair, and improvement of K-12 schools and local community colleges. It aims to enhance safety, upgrade outdated infrastructure, and ensure educational facilities meet current standards and technological needs.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**7.6 Approve Resolution #24-32 to Bring Back Retired Employee per Gov. Code sections 7522.56 & 21229**

Pursuant to Government Code section 7522.56, the Santa Cruz County Office of Education must provide CalPERS this certification resolution when hiring a retiree before 180 days has passed since their retirement date.

Jody Belgard, Senior Systems Support Liaison, retired from the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, effective June 30, 2024. Currently, the Santa Cruz County Office of Education would like to appoint Jody Belgard to assist with the backlog and various projects related to the position of Senior Systems Support Liaison.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
Rebecca Olker, Executive Director, Fiscal Services

Motion &  
Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

County Superintendent Dr. Faris Sabbah will provide an update on activities and matters of interest.

**9. TRUSTEE REPORTS (3 minutes each)**

Trustees will report on matters, events, and activities related to the Board's goals of advocating for students, maintaining community relations, and promoting student achievement.

**10. AD HOC/STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS**

**11. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

Santa Cruz County Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
September 19, 2024  
4:00 p.m.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

President Roth will adjourn the meeting.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

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## SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

### AGENDA ITEM 5.0.1

Board Meeting Date: August 15, 2024     Action     Information

**TO:** County Board of Education

**FROM:** Administration Department

**SUBJECT:** Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on July 18, 2024

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#### BACKGROUND

Minutes from the regular board meeting on July 18, 2024

#### FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

None.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Approve the minutes.



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**MEETING MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

Trustees Present (at time of roll call):

Sue Roth (President), Sandra Nichols, Abel Sanchez, Bruce Van Allen, Rachel Williams

Trustees Absent (at time of roll call):

Ed Acosta, Edward Estrada

Staff Present:

Dr. Faris Sabbah (Secretary), Nick Ibarra, Rebecca Olker, Andres Ortiz, Liann Reyes, Dr. Marcia Russell, Dr. Heather Thomsen, Verenise Valentin

**1.1 Board Member Remote Attendance Approval**

In accordance with AB 2449, Trustees may participate in the Board meeting remotely under the following conditions: just cause, or emergency circumstances.

No requests were made.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Superintendent Sabbah led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented (Van Allen/Williams):

Ayes: Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen, Williams

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Acosta, Estrada

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Marilyn Garrett (*Community Member*) invited the board to attend a local book author event at the Aptos Grange.

Trustee Estrada arrived at the meeting.

*Board Approved:*

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

- 5.0.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on June 20, 2024
- 5.0.2 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on June 27, 2024

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda as presented (Nichols/Williams):

Ayes: Estrada, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen, Williams  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Acosta

**5.1 DEFERRED CONSENT ITEMS (if required)**

None.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Board received official correspondence received from Kathleen Lynch, inviting the board to attend a local book author event at the Aptos Grange. This correspondence was received within 72 hours of the meeting and not included in the original packet. Copies of the correspondence are available upon request.

Trustee Acosta arrived to the meeting

**7. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS**

**7.1 Santa Cruz County Office of Education's Student Trustee Academy Presentation**

Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools, Andres Ortiz, Student Leadership and Engagement Coordinator, and COE's Trustee Academy students presented program highlights to the County Board. This was the third cohort of the Academy consisting of 14 students from across the County, representing ten local high schools.

**7.2 Santa Cruz County Grand Jury Report**

The 2024 Health Service Agency Report by the Santa Cruz County Grand Jury highlights Behavioral Health Division (BHD) issues. Key recommendations include improving reporting and transparency, enhancing case management, focusing on local care, and addressing socioeconomic disparities in South County. The report emphasizes the need for better-targeted mental health services to improve health outcomes and reduce long-term costs. The Santa Cruz County Office of Education is named in the report. Nick Ibarra, Director, Communications and Engagement, presented the report to the Board.

Public comment on this report was given by Marilyn Garrett (*Community Member*). She asked the Board to focus on the health and wellness of students.

Trustees asked clarifying questions to Mr. Ibarra.

**8. NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS**

**8.1 Approve Resolution #24-26 In The Matter of Authorizing Inter-Fund Loans for Cash Flow Purposes**

The Board as asked to adopt Resolution #24-26 in the matter of authorizing inter-fund loans for cash flow purposes. Liann Reyes, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services, presented the resolution to the Board.

A motion was made to approve Resolution #24-26 In The Matter of Authorizing Inter-Fund Loans for Cash Flow Purposes as presented (Van Allen/Estrada):

Ayes: Acosta, Estrada, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen, Williams  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**8.2 Approve Resolution #24-27 Recognizing The 15th Annual Stuff The Bus Campaign**

The United Way of Santa Cruz County and the Santa Cruz County Office of Education have organized the Stuff the Bus backpack and school supply drive for 15 years, supporting students in need. The initiative has collected supplies and donations for thousands of K-12 students experiencing homelessness or extreme hardships, ensuring they are prepared for school. This initiative promotes learning, self-esteem, and school attendance, contributing to the community's overall well-being and student success.

A motion was made to approve Resolution #24-27 Recognizing The 15th Annual Stuff The Bus Campaign as presented (Williams/Nichols):

Ayes: Acosta, Estrada, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen, Williams  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**8.3 Approve Resolution #24-28 In Support of the City of Santa Cruz’s Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax Proposal**

The City of Santa Cruz is proposing a two-cent per fluid-ounce tax on sugar-sweetened beverages in Santa Cruz City limits. This measure aims to address troubling trends in youth health, such as obesity and diabetes, by reducing the consumption of unhealthy beverages. Modeled after similar successful taxes in other California cities, this initiative could generate up to \$1.3 million annually for essential city services, including youth programs. The Board considered adopting a resolution to support this proposal

Dr. Heather Thomsen, Manager, School-Based Health, and Terese Holman, Campaign Manager for the Sugar Sweetened Beverage Tax, presented the tax proposal to the Board.

Trustees asked clarifying questions regarding the proposal.

A motion was made to table Resolution #24-28 In Support of the City of Santa Cruz’s Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax Proposal to the August 15, 2024 Board Meeting (Williams/Estrada):

Ayes:	Acosta, Estrada, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen, Williams
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

**9. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

County Superintendent Dr. Sabbah provided an update on activities and matters of interest.

**10. TRUSTEE REPORTS (3 minutes each)**

Trustee Nichols:

No report to share.

Trustee Estrada:

He attended the Live Oak School District where Superintendent PATrick Sanchez was appointed to the role of Superintendent of Live Oak School District.

Trustee Acosta:

No report to share.

Trustee Van Allen:

He guest lectured at the COE student trustee academy and attended the capital advisors workshop.

Trustee Williams:

She attended a session of the COE student trustee academy and attended the capital advisors workshop.

Trustee Sanchez:

No report to share.

President Roth:

She participated in the COE Agenda Committee Meeting and in the Capital Advisors Budget Perspectives Workshop.

**11. AD HOC/STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS**

**12. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

Santa Cruz County Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
August 15, 2024  
4:00 p.m.

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

President Roth adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m.



**SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**AGENDA ITEM 5.0.2**

**Board Meeting Date:** August 15, 2024

**Action**

**Information**

**TO:** County Board of Education

**FROM:** Business Department

**SUBJECT:** July Budget Revisions

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**BACKGROUND**

Regular budget revisions for July

**FUNDING IMPLICATIONS**

Included herein.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Approve the revisions.



## MEMO

DATE: August 8, 2024

TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education  
Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Rebecca Olker, Executive Director, Fiscal Services   
Melissa Lopez, Director of Fiscal Services

RE: July Budget Revisions

Notable changes to the budget processed during the month of July 2024 are as follows:

### Unrestricted:

Budget revisions processed reflect no change to revenue. Significant changes to expenditures are as follows:

- \$13,000 for Tech+ Amiga Robotics Kit for summer Robotics program
- \$16,585 for Student Leadership for Queer Student Union (QSU) and Youth Empowerment through Technology & Innovation (YETI)
- \$7,960 for Ed Service Professional Development with Zaretta Hammond
- \$25,000 School-based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (SMAA) accounting services from Stanislaus County Office of Education

Budget revisions processed in July resulted in a decrease to the unrestricted fund balance in the amount of (\$62,545).

### Restricted:

Budget revisions processed reflect an overall increase in restricted revenues in the amount of \$21,247.

- \$10,939 Alt Ed Title I - Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) updated allocation
- \$10,309 CAL-S Strong Workforce Program k-12 Pathway Coordinator grant - Round 5 carryover from 2023-24

Significant changes to expenditures are as follows:

- \$10,144 Alt Ed Title I-Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) funding to support a certificated counselor
- \$9,912 CAL-S Strong Workforce Program k-12 Pathway Coordinator grant - Round 5 carryover supporting staff salary and benefits

Budget revisions processed in July 2024 had an overall decrease to the restricted fund balance in the amount of (\$4,612).

Pacheco Bill Compliance:

There were no professional service agreements/contracts in excess of \$25,000 that required a budget revision be processed during July 2024.

A budget revision during the month of August is anticipated for a professional service agreement with National Council for Mental Wellbeing to facilitate and support “Instructors Trainings” for teen Mental Health First Aid (tMHFA). These services will support 16 new tMHFA Instructors and up to 1,000 students throughout Santa Cruz County. The contract for services is not to exceed \$52,800 and will utilize unrestricted general funds.

Business department staff continue to communicate and work closely with department staff and managers to review revenues, expenditures, and budgets for 2024-25 as we progress with the 2023-24 fiscal year-end close processes.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

RO:ml

cc: Liann Reyes

REVENUES	2024-25 Adopted Budget			July 2024 Budget Revisions Processed			2024-25 Revised Budget as of July 31, 2024		
	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	TOTAL FUND	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	TOTAL FUND	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	TOTAL FUND
LCFF Sources	\$ 28,104,634	\$ 8,875,494	\$ 36,980,128	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,104,634	\$ 8,875,494	\$ 36,980,128
Federal Revenue	\$ 3,500,000	\$ 1,686,475	\$ 5,186,475	\$ -	\$ 10,939	\$ 10,939	\$ 3,500,000	\$ 1,697,414	\$ 5,197,414
Other State Revenue	\$ 313,094	\$ 13,568,920	\$ 13,882,014	\$ -	\$ 10,309	\$ 10,309	\$ 313,094	\$ 13,579,228	\$ 13,892,322
Other Local Revenue	\$ 3,025,566	\$ 9,587,088	\$ 12,612,654	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,025,566	\$ 9,587,088	\$ 12,612,654
<b>TOTAL, REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 34,943,294</b>	<b>\$ 33,717,977</b>	<b>\$ 68,661,271</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 21,247</b>	<b>\$ 21,247</b>	<b>\$ 34,943,294</b>	<b>\$ 33,739,224</b>	<b>\$ 68,682,518</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>									
Certificated Salaries	\$ 6,166,806	\$ 8,706,724	\$ 14,873,530	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6,166,806	\$ 8,706,724	\$ 14,873,530
Classified Salaries	\$ 9,727,237	\$ 8,074,850	\$ 17,802,087	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,727,237	\$ 8,074,850	\$ 17,802,087
Employee Benefits	\$ 9,306,199	\$ 11,184,829	\$ 20,491,028	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,306,199	\$ 11,184,829	\$ 20,491,028
Books and Supplies	\$ 1,694,433	\$ 784,005	\$ 2,478,438	\$ 13,459	\$ 20,232	\$ 33,690	\$ 1,707,892	\$ 804,236	\$ 2,512,128
Services and Other Operating Expenditures	\$ 6,091,652	\$ 5,636,471	\$ 11,728,123	\$ 37,528	\$ 3,025	\$ 40,553	\$ 6,129,179	\$ 5,639,496	\$ 11,768,676
Capital Outlay	\$ 220,000	\$ 40,276	\$ 260,276	\$ 13,000	\$ 1,161	\$ 14,161	\$ 233,000	\$ 41,437	\$ 274,437
Other Outgo (excluding Transfers of Indirect Costs)	\$ 3,500,000	\$ -	\$ 3,500,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,500,000	\$ -	\$ 3,500,000
Other Outgo - Transfers of Indirect Costs	\$ (2,067,416)	\$ 1,946,449	\$ (120,967)	\$ (1,441)	\$ 1,441	\$ -	\$ (2,068,857)	\$ 1,947,891	\$ (120,967)
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 34,638,910</b>	<b>\$ 36,373,604</b>	<b>\$ 71,012,514</b>	<b>\$ 62,545</b>	<b>\$ 25,859</b>	<b>\$ 88,404</b>	<b>\$ 34,701,455</b>	<b>\$ 36,399,463</b>	<b>\$ 71,100,918</b>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENDITURES BEFORE OTHER FINANCING SOURCES AND USES</b>									
	\$ 304,384	\$ (2,655,628)	\$ (2,351,243)	\$ (62,545)	\$ (4,612)	\$ (67,157)	\$ 241,839	\$ (2,660,239)	\$ (2,418,400)
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES/USES</b>									
Interfund Transfers									
a) Transfers In	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
b) Transfers Out	\$ 281,540	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,281,540	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 281,540	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,281,540
Other Sources/Uses									
a) Sources	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
b) Uses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Contributions	\$ (2,019,107)	\$ 2,019,107	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,019,107)	\$ 2,019,107	\$ -
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES/USES</b>	<b>\$ (2,300,647)</b>	<b>\$ 1,019,107</b>	<b>\$ (1,281,540)</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (2,300,647)</b>	<b>\$ 1,019,107</b>	<b>\$ (1,281,540)</b>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN FUND BALANCE</b>									
	<b>\$ (1,996,263)</b>	<b>\$ (1,636,520)</b>	<b>\$ (3,632,783)</b>	<b>\$ (62,545)</b>	<b>\$ (4,612)</b>	<b>\$ (67,157)</b>	<b>\$ (2,058,808)</b>	<b>\$ (1,641,132)</b>	<b>\$ (3,699,940)</b>
<b>FUND BALANCE, RESERVES</b>									
Beginning Fund Balance									
a) As of July 1 Unaudited	\$ 28,278,630	\$ 6,838,655	\$ 35,117,285	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,278,630	\$ 6,838,655	\$ 35,117,285
b) Audit Adjustments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
c) As of July 1 Audited	\$ 28,278,630	\$ 6,838,655	\$ 35,117,285	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,278,630	\$ 6,838,655	\$ 35,117,285
d) Other Restatements	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
e) Adjusted Beginning Balance	\$ 28,278,630	\$ 6,838,655	\$ 35,117,285	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28,278,630	\$ 6,838,655	\$ 35,117,285
Ending Balance, June 30	\$ 26,282,367	\$ 5,202,135	\$ 31,484,501	\$ (62,545)	\$ (4,612)	\$ (67,157)	\$ 26,219,822	\$ 5,197,523	\$ 31,417,344



## SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

### AGENDA ITEM 5.0.3

Board Meeting Date: August 15, 2024     Action     Information

**TO:** County Board of Education

**FROM:** Alternative Education Department

**SUBJECT:** Teaching Assignment Monitoring Outcomes (TAMO) for 2022-2023

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### BACKGROUND

The California Department of Education (CDE) has released the 2022–23 Teaching Assignment Monitoring Outcomes (TAMO) report on DataQuest. This data will be included in the 2024 California School Dashboard as part of the Priority 1 Local Indicator. LEAs are required to report this data at their next governing board meeting since it wasn't available when they initially reported their local indicator data. LEAs also have the option to provide an additional narrative related to the TAMO data within the Priority 1 Local Indicator, which can be updated anytime through myCDEconnect.

### FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

Included herein.

### RECOMMENDATION

Approve the report.

# 2022-23 Teaching Assignment Monitoring Outcomes by Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)

## Santa Cruz County Office of Education Report (44-10447) Disaggregated by Subject

- + [Report Description](#)**
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**Filters Enabled:**

School Type: Non-Charter

[Reset Filters](#)

<u>Subject Area</u>	<u>Total Teaching FTE</u>	<u>Clear</u>	<u>Out-of-Field</u>	<u>Intern</u>	<u>Ineffective</u>	<u>Incomplete</u>	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Self-Contained Class	49.7	43.9%	44.1%	2.0%	2.0%	8.0%	0.0%	0.0%

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<u>Santa Cruz County Office of Education</u>	49.7	43.9%	44.1%	2.0%	2.0%	8.0%	0.0%	0.0%
<u>Santa Cruz</u>	1,522.9	80.2%	3.3%	1.1%	12.6%	2.7%	0.1%	0.0%
<u>Statewide</u>	245,801.8	85.1%	2.9%	1.8%	4.9%	4.9%	0.3%	0.2%

**Note:** Data for classroom-based teaching assignments taught by teachers without a Statewide Education Identifier (SEID) are not included in the Teacher Assignment Monitoring Outcome (AMO) by Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) report. Data are not included for districts and independently reporting charter schools (IRCs) that did not certify their California Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data System (CALPADS) Fall 2 submission. Due to rounding error, partial FTE counts by AMO may not sum exactly to the Total FTE displayed in the report for the

selected reporting level and filters. For more information about this report, including data sources and timelines, data uses, downloadable files, and a description of the methodology and business rules for processing the data, please visit the [CDE Information about the Teaching Assignment Monitoring Outcome Report](#) webpage.

\* Charter school data are removed by default from all district-level reports, including the associated state and county Report Totals. To include charter school data in district-level reports, select the “Reset Filters” button on district-level reports to show data for “All Schools” OR select the desired School Type filter from within the expandable Report Filters menu on the desired DataQuest report.

\*\* Results produced using the Alternative School report filter are based on the Alternative School Accountability Status (ASAS) during associated academic year, which is based on the Dashboard Alternative School Status (DASS). The Alternative School report filter is strictly intended to facilitate comparisons for traditional charter and non-charter schools by allowing for the removal of alternative schools, which generally serve “high-risk” student populations. More information about alternative school accountability can be found on the [CDE Dashboard Alternative School Status \(DASS\)](#) webpage.

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## SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

### AGENDA ITEM 7.1

Board Meeting Date: August 15, 2024       Action       Information

**TO:** County Board of Education

**FROM:** Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
Denise Guerra-Sanson, Executive Director, Student Program

**SUBJECT:** Prop 28 Arts and Music in Schools, Annual Report

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### BACKGROUND

Proposition 28, known as the Arts and Music in Schools (AMS) Funding Guarantee and Accountability Act, was approved by California voters on November 8, 2022. This initiative aims to provide consistent annual funding for arts education in K-12 public schools, including charter schools, by allocating an amount equal to 1% of the total state and local revenues received under Proposition 98 from the previous fiscal year. Under this proposition, schools are required to submit annual board-approved reports detailing how funds were spent.

### FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

Included Herein.

### RECOMMENDATION

Approve the report.

# Proposition 28: Arts and Music in Schools Funding Annual Report Fiscal Year 2023-24

Name: Santa Cruz County Career Advancement Charter

CDS Code: 4410447-0136572

Charter School Number: 1904

Allocation Year: 2023-24

**1. Narrative description of the Prop 28 arts education program(s) funded. (2500 character limit).**

No programs were funded with Prop 28 funds during the 23-24 school year. However, the school has plans for the upcoming year.

**2. Number of full-time equivalent teachers (certificated).** 0.0

**3. Number of full-time equivalent personnel (classified).** 0.0

**4. Number of full-time equivalent teaching aides.** 0.0

**5. Number of students served.** 0

**6. Number of school sites providing arts education.** 0

**Date of Approval by Governing Board/Body** 8/15/2024 12:00:00 AM

**Annual Report Data URL**

<https://santacruzcoe.org/student-services/alternative-education-programs/career-advancement-charter/>

**Submission Date** 7/25/2024 2:25:46 PM



**SANTA CRUZ**  
COUNTY OFFICE OF  
**EDUCATION**  
DR. FARIS SABBAH - SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

# Prop 28 Arts and Music in Schools, Annual Report

August 15, 2024

## Requirement

This annual report must be board approved, submitted to the CDE through the [Arts and Music in Schools Portal](#), and posted to the LEA's website.

The mandated information for this report includes:

- The number of full-time equivalent teachers, classified personnel, and teaching aides
- The number of pupils served
- The number of school sites providing arts education programs with AMS funds

No programs were funded with Prop 28 funds this year. However, the school has plans for the upcoming year.



## Submission DRAFT for Approval

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DR. FARIS SABBAH  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

## Needs Assessment and Plan

**Process:** Via surveys, Student Advisory Feedback, LCAP Focus Groups, etc., we have collected multiple points of quantitative and qualitative data regarding CAC programming

**Strengths:**  
We have strong partnerships in the community, providing students access to a diversity of perspectives, talents, and media.

**Students Report:**  
Students have indicated a need to have increased access to enrichment opportunities.



DR. FARIS SABBAH  
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

# Needs Assessment and Plan

## Identified Needs:

- Arts instruction
- Arts enrichment combined with pro-social opportunities
- Materials and supplies



# Needs Assessment and Plan

## Plan for 2024-2025

Planned Expenditure	Budget
Art Instruction	\$19,543
Indirect Costs	\$195
Total	\$19,738



# Questions?

We request approval of our Prop 28 Annual Report.





## SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

### AGENDA ITEM 7.2

Board Meeting Date: August 15, 2024       Action       Information

**TO:** County Board of Education

**FROM:** Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
Martine Watkins, City of Santa Cruz, Council member

**SUBJECT:** Approve Resolution #24-28 In Support of the City of Santa Cruz's Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax Proposal

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### BACKGROUND

The Santa Cruz County Board of Education supports a proposal to impose a two-cent per fluid-ounce tax on sugar-sweetened beverages in Santa Cruz. This measure aims to address troubling trends in youth health, such as obesity and diabetes, by reducing the consumption of unhealthy beverages. Modeled after similar successful taxes in other California cities, this initiative could generate up to \$1.3 million annually for essential city services, including youth programs. A Community Oversight Panel would ensure a transparent allocation of the funds towards health and wellness programs benefiting the community.

### FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

None.

### RECOMMENDATION

Approve the resolution.



**RESOLUTION #24-28**  
**IN SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF SANTA CRUZ**  
**SUGAR-SWEETENED BEVERAGE TAX PROPOSAL**

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Cruz County Board of Education recognizes the importance of supporting the health of our youth as a means to enhance educational outcomes and overall quality of life; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Cruz County health data reveals troubling trends in youth health, including obesity and diabetes; and

**WHEREAS**, studies consistently show a direct correlation between the consumption of sugar-sweetened beverages and increased risks of type 2 diabetes, obesity, dental problems, and other metabolic disorders, particularly among children and adolescents; and

**WHEREAS**, sugar-sweetened beverages are the leading source of sugar in the American diet, with public health data showing children and minority populations are disproportionately affected by the negative health effects associated with their consumption; and

**WHEREAS**, cities in California, including San Francisco, Berkeley, and Oakland, have instituted sugar-sweetened beverage taxes as critical measures to both improve community health and support local services that contribute to community wellness; and

**WHEREAS**, evidence from these jurisdictions demonstrates that sugar-sweetened beverage taxes can significantly reduce the consumption of unhealthy beverages and increase the consumption of water; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Cruz City Council, having considered recommendations from its Ad Hoc Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax Committee, has resolved to place a two-cent per fluid ounce sugar-sweetened beverage tax measure on the November 2024 ballot; and

**WHEREAS**, the potential measure could raise up \$1.3 million annually to help improve essential City services, including programs directly benefiting youth; and

**WHEREAS**, a Community Oversight Panel would be mandated to oversee and report annually on the impact of the measure and include recommendations to support and improve community wellness;

Resolution #24-28 In Support Of The City Of Santa Cruz Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax Proposal  
Santa Cruz County Board of Education  
August 15, 2024

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Santa Cruz County Board of Education hereby supports the proposal to impose a tax of two cents per fluid ounce on the distribution of sugar-sweetened beverage products in the City of Santa Cruz, and encourages the school community to actively participate in supporting the sugar-sweetened beverage tax measure;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board advocates for the effective allocation of the tax revenues towards health and wellness programs that benefit youth, ensuring that these funds support educational initiatives promoting physical wellness and nutrition.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this 15th day of August 2024, by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

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Sue Roth, President  
Santa Cruz County Board of Education

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Dr. Faris M. Sabbah, Secretary  
Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools



# Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Ballot Proposal

SSB Ad Hoc Committee: Councilmembers Brunner, Kalantari-Johnson, Watkins



# Introduction & Background



## Global Context

Over 50 countries have implemented taxes on sugar-sweetened beverages (SSBs).



## 2018 Santa Cruz Initiative:

In June 2018, the Santa Cruz City Council approved a one-cent per ounce SSB tax ballot initiative. The initiative was halted when Governor Jerry Brown signed the Keep Groceries Affordable Act in late June 2018.



## The Keep Groceries Affordable Act:

Prevented local agencies from imposing new taxes on certain grocery items, including SSBs. Included severe penalties, such as loss of all sales and use tax revenue, for any city implementing new grocery-related taxes.



## Legal Challenge:

Cultiva La Salud and Councilmember Martine Watkins sued the state, arguing the Act's penalties were unconstitutional. In 2023, the Third District Court of Appeal struck down the penalty provision, deeming it an unconstitutional threat to charter cities.



## Current Status:

In May 2023, the City Council appointed a Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Ad Hoc Committee to explore the feasibility of a new SSB tax measure for the March or November 2024 ballot.

# How much sugar is in your drink?

Based on the FDA standard of 4 grams of sugar per teaspoon.



**Monster Energy 16 oz.**  
200 calories

**13.5**  
teaspoons



**vitaminwater 20 oz.**  
125 calories

**8**  
teaspoons



**Mountain Dew 20 oz.**  
290 calories

**19.25**  
teaspoons



**Snapple Lemon Tea 16 oz.**  
160 calories

**10.5**  
teaspoons



**Gatorade 20 oz.**  
130 calories

**8.5**  
teaspoons



**Nantucket Nectars Cranberry 17.5 oz.**  
280 calories

**17.5**  
teaspoons

# Impact on Vulnerable Populations

Santa Cruz Goals: Reduce sugary drink consumption, promote healthier habits, and improve well-being.

## Health Disparities

- 40% of all children may develop Type 2 diabetes
- For Latino and African American children, the rate is 50%.
- Infants who drink sugary drinks have an 83% chance of cavities at age 6.
- Two in three California teenagers drink at least one soda daily.
- Marketing and Consumption
  - Beverage Companies: Target youth and communities of color with sugary drinks.

# Health Risks and Local Health Data



SSBs are the leading source of added sugars in the American diet.

## Local Health Data:

- Santa Cruz County:
  - More overweight children compared to California average.
  - Adult obesity highest among Latinos.
  - Dominican Hospital Report: “Healthy weight is a significant issue in Santa Cruz County, with a larger proportion of children who are overweight for their age compared to all California children. In addition, adult obesity... [is] highest among the county’s Latino population.”



### Case Study: Berkeley

- First California City to implement SSB tax in March 2015.
- Results: 9.6% decrease in soda consumption, 15.6% increase in water consumption.

### Case Study: San Francisco

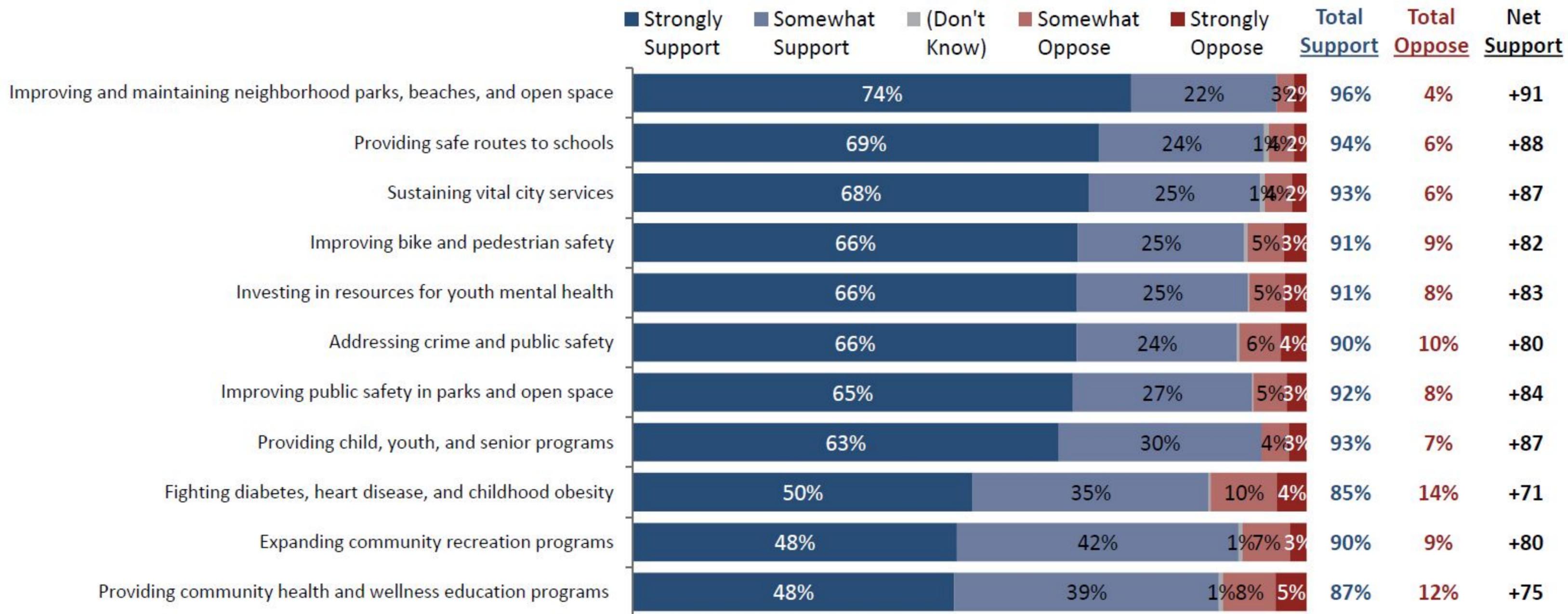
- Highest sugary drink consumption among youth, young adults, and ethnic minorities.
- Preliminary data showed reductions in sugary drink consumption and increases in water consumption.

### UC Berkeley Study

- After excise taxes on sugary beverages, purchases declined by 33% (across five Cities in the U.S).

# Support for Uses of Funding

All elements tested see near-universal support. There is particularly high intensity for elements aimed at general city services like improving parks/beaches/open space, providing safe routes to schools, and sustaining vital city services.



Q12-22. I'm going to read you some policy elements that have been discussed as part of this measure. For each one, please tell me if you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose that item.



# Engagement

 **Stakeholder Outreach Conducted:**

- Health organizations
- Schools
- Community groups
- Businesses

# Ballot Language & Details

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA CRUZ:

(1) ORDERING AN ELECTION ON A MEASURE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE CITY SHOULD IMPOSE A TAX OF TWO CENTS (\$0.02) PER FLUID OUNCE ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF SUGAR SWEETENED BEVERAGE PRODUCTS; (2) REQUESTING THAT THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY CLERK/ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT CONDUCT THE ELECTION FOR SAID MEASURE; AND (3) REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION WITH THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024 GENERAL ELECTION.

# Fiscal Accountability and Local Control

## EXEMPTIONS

- Small businesses
- Products: Diet soda, natural juices, milk and milk substitutes, diet supplements and alcohol
- ONLY applied to beverages with added sugar-all grocery or consumer food products are excluded.

## Community Oversight Panel

- Provide Oversight & Annual Reporting
- Establish a Community Oversight Panel to report annually on the tax impact.
- Panel to include 7 community members and provide recommendations on revenue use.



# Economic Impact \$1.3 Million

## *Local Funding for Our Community*

To maintain essential services, the City of Santa Cruz is exploring a ballot measure that would add a tax of 2¢ per fluid ounce on the wholesale distribution of sugar-sweetened beverages (SSB).

## *Local Investments*

- *Parks and facilities that are accessible and safe*
- *Programs for children and youth*
- *Maintaining active recreation programs*
- *Facilities for seniors, children, and people of all ages*

## *Simple & Straight Forward Collection of tax*





# Recommendation:

## *A Potential Measure for a Healthier Santa Cruz*

### Motion to:

- 1) Accept recommendations from the recent work of the City Council Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Ad Hoc Committee;
- 2) Adopt a resolution requesting that the November 5, 2024, General Election ballot include a general tax of two cents per fluid ounce on distributors of sugar-sweetened beverages that includes a Community Oversight Panel to transmit an annual report and make recommendations to the City Council; and
- 3) Support the measure for the purpose of authorizing arguments; directing the Mayor to designate up to three Councilmembers to identify authors and signers for the arguments in favor of this measure, working with members of the community if they so choose; directing the City Attorney to prepare the impartial analysis; and providing direction to the City Manager regarding the preparation of the fiscal analysis, as appropriate.



**SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**AGENDA ITEM 7.3**

**Board Meeting Date:** August 15, 2024

**Action**

**Information**

**TO:** County Board of Education

**FROM:** Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach, and Legislation Committee

**SUBJECT:** Approve Resolution #24-29 Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15 - October 15)

**BACKGROUND**

Each year our nation observes Hispanic Heritage Month, a commemoration started in 1968 and expanded in 1988 to cover the 30-day period of September 15 to October 15, with its first day commemorating the start of the Mexican War of Independence, leading to the independence of Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Honduras, and Nicaragua. The Board is asked to recognize September 15 through October 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month and encourages all students, faculty, administrators, and parents, to remember and celebrate the contributions that Hispanic Americans have made to California and the United States.

**FUNDING IMPLICATIONS**

None.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Approve the resolution.



**RESOLUTION #24-29**  
**RECOGNIZING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, each year our nation observes Hispanic Heritage Month, a commemoration started in 1968 and expanded in 1988 to cover the 30-day period of September 15 to October 15, with its first day commemorating the start of the Mexican War of Independence, leading to the independence of Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Honduras, and Nicaragua; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 theme of Hispanic Heritage Month is Pioneers of Change: Shaping the Future Together; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Cruz County Board of Education recognizes the myriad advances Hispanic Americans continue to make in areas including education, medicine, art, culture, and public services in our community, state, and nation; and

**WHEREAS**, 58% of K-12 students in Santa Cruz County identify as Hispanic or Latinx; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Education encourages schools to annually recognize Hispanic Heritage Month (36 United States Code 126); and

**WHEREAS**, understanding Hispanic and Latinx history is an important part of celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month; and

**WHEREAS**, history was made this Hispanic Heritage Month as Governor Gavin Newsom signed Assembly Bill 101 into law on October 8, 2021 making California the first state to require all high school students to complete an ethnic studies course before earning their diploma starting in the 2029-30 school year; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education hereby recognizes September 15 through October 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month and encourages all students, faculty, administrators, and parents, to remember and celebrate the contributions that Hispanic Americans have made to California and the United States.

Resolution #24-29 Recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month  
Santa Cruz County Board of Education  
August 15, 2024

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this 15th day of August 2024, by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

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Sue Roth, Board President  
Santa Cruz County Board of Education

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Dr. Faris M. Sabbah, Secretary  
Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools



## SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

### AGENDA ITEM 7.4

Board Meeting Date: August 15, 2024       Action       Information

**TO:** County Board of Education

**FROM:** Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach, and Legislation Committee

**SUBJECT:** Approve Resolution #24-30 National Suicide Prevention Month

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### BACKGROUND

September is nationally recognized as Suicide Prevention Month. Santa Cruz County Office of Education is committed to supporting the mental and emotional health of students and staff in Santa Cruz County. The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution #24-30 Recognizing National Suicide Prevention Month.

### FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

None.

### RECOMMENDATION

Approve the resolution.



**RESOLUTION #24-30**  
**RECOGNIZING NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, suicide is the 9th leading cause of death in the United States and the 2nd leading cause of death among individuals between the ages of 10 to 34; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), one person dies by suicide every 11.7 minutes, resulting in nearly 45,000 deaths each year in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, suicide is the only leading cause of death in the United States that has increased every year for the past decade; and

**WHEREAS**, it is estimated that there are over 1,200,000 suicide attempts each year; and

**WHEREAS**, there are an average of 130 suicides each day in the United States; and

**WHEREAS**, suicide is preventable, as 9 out of 10 suicide attempt survivors do not go on to die by suicide; and

**WHEREAS**, the stigma associated with mental health conditions and suicidality works against suicide prevention by discouraging persons at risk for suicide from seeking life-saving help and further traumatizes survivors of suicide loss and people with lived experience of suicide; and

**WHEREAS**, September is recognized as “National Suicide Prevention Month” in the United States which overlaps with World Suicide Prevention Day, September 10th, recognized internationally and supported by the World Health Organization.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Santa Cruz County Office of Education is committed to:

1. Recognizing suicide as a preventable national, State and local public health problem;
2. Supporting the declaration that suicide prevention should be a priority;

3. Supporting the designation of September as “National Suicide Prevention Month”;
4. Developing and implementing strategies to increase access to quality mental health, substance abuse, and suicide prevention services.
5. Increasing awareness of the new 9-8-8 crisis hotline in the school community
6. Participating in suicide prevention initiatives by working with local organizations that listen to and support those who are at risk for suicide.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this 15th day of August 2024, by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

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Sue Roth, Board President  
Santa Cruz County Board of Education

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Dr. Faris M. Sabbah, Secretary  
Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools



## SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

### AGENDA ITEM 7.5

Board Meeting Date: August 15, 2024     Action     Information

**TO:** County Board of Education

**FROM:** Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT:** Approve Resolution #24-31 Proposition 2: Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024

### BACKGROUND

Proposition 2, on the 2024 ballot, seeks to authorize state bonds to fund the modernization, repair, and improvement of K-12 schools and local community colleges. It aims to enhance safety, upgrade outdated infrastructure, and ensure educational facilities meet current standards and technological needs.

### FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

None.

### RECOMMENDATION

Approve the resolution.



**RESOLUTION #24-31**

**IN SUPPORT OF PROPOSITION 2: KINDERGARTEN THROUGH GRADE 12 SCHOOLS  
AND LOCAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITIES MODERNIZATION,  
REPAIR, AND SAFETY BOND ACT OF 2024**

**WHEREAS**, the California Constitution finds public education is a State responsibility in Article IX Section 5; and

**WHEREAS**, the State is out of school facility program funds and cannot provide the State match for almost \$3.5 billion in projects which qualify for state aid; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Cruz County Office of Education has facility needs which may be partially funded by State bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 2 *the Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024*, provides for renovation of aging schools, upgrade of existing classrooms, construction of new classrooms to accommodate growth, Career Technical Education facilities to provide job training to meet the workforce needs of California employers, testing and remediation of lead levels in water at school sites, disaster assistance, replacement of 75-year-old buildings, adding essential facilities like libraries and multipurpose rooms, mitigating the effects of higher average temperatures, and assistance for small and low-wealth school districts; and

**WHEREAS**, school districts need state financial support to implement new mandates and initiatives such as universal Transitional Kindergarten, Expanded Learning, on-site cooking and meal preparation, later secondary school start times, and solar power generation and storage; and

**WHEREAS**, quality 21st Century school facilities designed for today's and tomorrow's students enhance academic achievement and further the State's academic goals; and

**WHEREAS**, the California unemployment rate is greater than the national unemployment rate; and

**WHEREAS**, 13,000 middle class jobs are created for each \$1 billion in school facility infrastructure investment; and

**WHEREAS**, these jobs will be created throughout California and will include almost all building trades; and

Resolution #24-31 In Support Of Proposition 2: *Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024*  
Santa Cruz County Board of Education  
August 15, 2024

**WHEREAS**, the Local Control Funding Formula provides funding for educational services for all students, but does not provide dedicated facilities funding; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 2, *the Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024* will not raise State taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 2, *the Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024* enhances public accountability and transparency for the use of its proceeds; and

**WHEREAS**, Proposition 2, *the Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024* State matching funds will reduce the need for additional local property taxes for school facilities.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Santa Cruz County Board of Education supports Proposition 2, *the Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024*.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this 15th day of August 2024, by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

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Sue Roth, President  
Santa Cruz County Board of Education

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Dr. Faris M. Sabbah, Secretary  
Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools



**SANTA CRUZ COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**AGENDA ITEM 7.6**

**Board Meeting Date:** August 15, 2024       **Action**       **Information**

**TO:** County Board of Education

**FROM:** Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
 Rebecca Olker, Executive Director, Fiscal Services

**SUBJECT:** Approve Resolution #24-32 to Bring Back Retired Employee per Gov. Code sections 7522.56 & 21229

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**BACKGROUND**

Pursuant to Government Code section 7522.56, the Santa Cruz County Office of Education must provide CalPERS this certification resolution when hiring a retiree before 180 days has passed since their retirement date.

Jody Belgard, Senior Systems Support Liaison, retired from the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, effective June 30, 2024. Currently, the Santa Cruz County Office of Education would like to appoint Jody Belgard to assist with the backlog and various projects related to the position of Senior Systems Support Liaison.

**FUNDING IMPLICATIONS**

Included herein.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Approve the resolution.



August 2, 2024

**Limited Extra Help:** Senior Systems Support Liaison Extra Help

**Employee Name:** Jody Belgard  
CalPERS Id: 7783181667

**Emergency Need:** Limited Extra Help

Jody Belgard, a retired annuitant, is needed to provide limited extra help for the Senior Systems Support Liaison position. The Senior Systems Support Liaison position is unique and requires knowledge of the business integrated financial system structure and support to all the Santa Cruz County school districts. Retired annuitant Jody Belgard has the knowledge and skills to provide limited extra help to ensure the school districts receive necessary support. When a non-retired annuitant is hired into the Senior Systems Support Liaison position the onboarding will begin with the immediate training and mentoring required to understand the functionality of the integrated financial system and the support provided the the Santa Cruz County school districts for human resources, finance, payroll and department staff.

Recruitment for the Senior Systems Support Liaison position began in March, 2024.

**Dates/Hours of Employment:** The Santa Cruz County Office of Education will employ the services of Jody Belgard beginning September 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024. Hours for this assignment will not exceed an average of 30 hours per week not to exceed 560 hours.

**Salary:** Salary will be based on the Classified Monthly/Hourly salary schedule placed at Range 42 Step 6, \$8,612.00 monthly or hourly rate of \$49.69.

**Term:** Effective September 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024



## Instructions for CalPERS 180-Day Wait Period Exception School Employers (per Gov. Code section 7522.56)

**Bona Fide Separation in Service:** If a member retires/will retire prior to their normal retirement age (i.e., age 55 for 2% at 55 formula, age 60 for 2% at 60 formula, age 62 for 1.25% at 65 formula, etc.), you cannot provide an agreement, written or verbal, for post-retirement employment *prior to and for 60 days after* the member's retirement date. This bona fide separation in service requirement is federal tax law and must be met *before* you obtain a 180-day wait period exception.

If the member has more than one retirement benefit formula, then the "normal retirement age" may be up to the maximum normal retirement age of 62. For details, refer to the "Employment of a Retiree" section of the CalPERS [Public Agency & Schools Reference Guide](#).

Included are two sample resolutions for school employers to use for approving a 180-day wait period exception. **The County Office of Education or Board of Education is the governing body which must pass this resolution, not the governing body of the school district.** The required documents should be submitted to CalPERS before the retiree begins working to ensure the exception is valid and the employment compliant.

The resolution for **Gov. Code sections 7522.56 & 21229** is for extra help retired annuitants, i.e., CalPERS retirees hired to perform work of limited duration, such as elimination of a backlog, special project work, or to perform work exceeding regular staff work. Schools should only appoint retirees to retired annuitant designated positions. A retiree must reinstate from retirement to be employed in any regular staff position which includes "permanent part-time," "seasonal," "limited term," "permanent intermittent," "exempt from membership," or any other type of "temporary" or periodic regular staff position.

The resolution for **Gov. Code sections 7522.56 & 21221(h)** is for a vacant position retired annuitant, i.e., a CalPERS retiree hired to work in a vacant position while you recruit for a permanent replacement. Use this resolution to appoint a retiree to positions such as an interim superintendent, interim department head and to any other unique managerial or executive position. An open recruitment to fill the vacancy with a permanent replacement is required to appoint a retiree. A retiree can only be appointed once to this position. A retiree must reinstate from retirement (terminate retirement) to be employed as a permanent part-time or any other type of regular staff employee.

Submit the following documents to CalPERS **before** the employment begins:

- Executed and signed resolution
- Copy of the employment agreement or personnel appointment paperwork
- Copy of the publicly available salary schedule listing the comparable or vacant position
- Recruitment status for a vacant position section 21221(h) appointment including a copy of, or web link to the activated recruitment

These documents can be submitted to CalPERS as follows:

1. Via email to: [Working\\_After\\_Retirement@calpers.ca.gov](mailto:Working_After_Retirement@calpers.ca.gov)
  - a. Use the following subject line:  
180-day Exception (Agency Name), (Retiree Name), (Retiree CalPERS ID).
2. Via fax to: (916) 795-9540
3. Via mail to:  
CalPERS  
Membership & Post-Retirement Employment  
Employer Account Management Division  
PO Box 942709  
Sacramento, CA 94229-2709

# **SAMPLE RESOLUTION FOR 180-DAY WAIT PERIOD EXCEPTION**

## **County Office of Education**

### **Gov. Code sections 7522.56 & 21229**

#### **Resolution Number**

#### **Date of Resolution**

WHEREAS, in compliance with Government (Gov.) Code section 7522.56 the (governing body name) must provide CalPERS this certification resolution when hiring a retiree before 180 days has passed since their retirement date; and

WHEREAS, (retiree name, CalPERS ID or last 4 digits of the social security number) retired from (employer from which retired) in the position of (name of position from which retired), effective (CalPERS retirement date); and

WHEREAS, Gov. Code section 7522.56 requires that post-retirement employment commence no earlier than 180 days after the retirement date, which is (date of 181<sup>st</sup> day after retirement) without this certification resolution; and

WHEREAS, Gov. Code section 7522.56 provides that this exception to the 180-day wait period shall not apply if the retiree accepts any retirement-related incentive; and

WHEREAS, the (governing body name), the (school district name) and (retiree name) certify that (retiree name) has not and will not receive a Golden Handshake or any other retirement-related incentive; and

WHEREAS, the (governing body name) hereby appoints (retiree name) as an extra help retired annuitant to perform the duties of the (position name) for the (school district name) under Gov. Code section 21229 effective (date of appointment); and

WHEREAS, no matters, issues, terms or conditions related to this employment and appointment have been or will be placed on a consent calendar; and

WHEREAS, the employment shall be limited to 960 hours per fiscal year for all CalPERS employers; and

WHEREAS, the compensation paid to retirees cannot be less than the minimum nor exceed the maximum monthly base salary paid to other employees performing comparable duties, divided by 173.333 to equal the hourly rate; and

WHEREAS, the maximum base salary for this position is (monthly salary) and the hourly equivalent is (hourly rate), and the minimum base salary for this position is (monthly salary) and the hourly equivalent is (hourly rate); and

WHEREAS, the hourly rate paid to (retiree name) will be (hourly rate); and

WHEREAS, (retiree name) has not and will not receive any other benefit, incentive, compensation in lieu of benefit or other form of compensation in addition to this hourly pay rate; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the (governing body name) hereby certifies the nature of the appointment of (retiree name) as described herein and detailed in the attached employment agreement/contract/appointment document and that this appointment is necessary to fill the critically needed position of (position name) for the (school district name) by (date employment begins) because (describe the reasons and conditions that require this position be filled by the listed date).

(Signatures and other notations as per usual for resolution by governing body name including vote count)

# **SAMPLE RESOLUTION FOR 180-DAY WAIT PERIOD EXCEPTION**

## **County Office of Education**

### **Gov. Code sections 7522.56 & 21221(h)**

#### **Resolution Number**

#### **Date of Resolution**

WHEREAS, in compliance with Government (Gov.) Code section 7522.56 of the Public Employees' Retirement Law, the (governing body name) must provide CalPERS this certification resolution when hiring a retiree before 180 days has passed since their retirement date; and

WHEREAS, (retiree name, CalPERS ID or last 4 digits of the social security number) retired from (employer from which retired) in the position of (name of position from which retired), effective (CalPERS retirement date); and

WHEREAS, Gov. Code section 7522.56 requires that post-retirement employment commence no earlier than 180 days after the retirement date, which is (date of 181st day after retirement) without this certification resolution; and

WHEREAS, Gov. Code section 7522.56 provides that this exception to the 180-day wait period shall not apply if the retiree accepts any retirement-related incentive; and

WHEREAS, the (governing body name), the (school district name) and (retiree name) certify that (retiree name) has not and will not receive a Golden Handshake or any other retirement-related incentive; and

WHEREAS, an appointment under Gov. Code section 21221(h) requires the retiree is appointed into the interim appointment during recruitment for a permanent appointment; and

WHEREAS, the governing body has authorized the search for a permanent appointment on (date); and

WHEREAS, the (governing body name) hereby appoints (retiree name) as an interim appointment retired annuitant to the vacant position of (position name) for the (school district name) under Gov. Code section 21221(h), effective (date of appointment); and

WHEREAS, this section 21221(h) appointment shall only be made once and therefore will end on (termination date of appointment); and

WHEREAS, no matters, issues, terms or conditions related to this employment and appointment have been or will be placed on a consent calendar; and

WHEREAS, the employment shall be limited to 960 hours per fiscal year for all CalPERS employers; and

WHEREAS, the compensation paid to retirees cannot be less than the minimum nor exceed the maximum monthly base salary paid to other employees performing comparable duties, divided by 173.333 to equal the hourly rate; and

WHEREAS, the maximum base salary for this position is (monthly salary) and the hourly equivalent is (hourly rate), and the minimum base salary for this position is (monthly salary) and the hourly equivalent is (hourly rate); and

WHEREAS, the hourly rate paid to (retiree name) will be (hourly rate); and

WHEREAS, (retiree name) has not and will not receive any other benefit, incentive, compensation in lieu of benefit or other form of compensation in addition to this hourly pay rate; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the (governing body name) hereby certifies the nature of the employment of (retiree name) as described herein and detailed in the attached employment agreement / contract / appointment document and that this appointment is necessary to fill the critically needed position of (position name) for the (school district name) by (date employment begins) because (describe the reasons and conditions that require this position be filled by the listed date).

(Signatures and other notations as per usual for resolution by governing body name including vote count)



**RESOLUTION #24-32**  
**GOV. CODE SECTIONS 7522.56 & 21229**

**WHEREAS**, in compliance with Government (Gov.) Code section 7522.56 the Santa Cruz County Office of Education must provide CalPERS this certification resolution when hiring a retiree before 180 days has passed since their retirement date; and

**WHEREAS**, Jody Belgard, CalPERS Id 7783181667 retired from Santa Cruz County Office of Education in the position of Senior Systems Support Liaison, effective July 1, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, Gov. Code section 7522.56 requires that post-retirement employment commence no earlier than 180 days after the retirement date, which is December 28, 2024 without this certification resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, Gov. Code section 7522.56 provides that this exception to the 180-day wait period shall not apply if the retiree accepts any retirement-related incentive; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and Jody Belgard certify that Jody Belgard has not and will not receive a Golden Handshake or any other retirement-related incentive; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Cruz County Office of Education hereby appoints Jody Belgard as an extra help retired annuitant to perform the duties of the Senior System Support Liaison for the Santa Cruz County Office of Education under Gov. Code section 21229 effective September 1, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, no matters, issues, terms or conditions related to this employment and appointment have been or will be placed on a consent calendar; and

**WHEREAS**, the employment shall be limited to 960 hours per fiscal year for all CalPERS employers; and 180

**WHEREAS**, the compensation paid to retirees cannot be less than the minimum nor exceed the maximum monthly base salary paid to other employees performing comparable duties, divided by 173.333 to equal the hourly rate; and

**WHEREAS**, the maximum base salary for this position is \$8,612.00 and the hourly equivalent is \$49.69, and the minimum base salary for this position is \$6,787.00 and the hourly equivalent is \$39.16; and

**WHEREAS**, the hourly rate paid to Jody Belgard will be \$49.69; and

**WHEREAS**, Jody Belgard has not and will not receive any other benefit, incentive, compensation in lieu of benefit or other form of compensation in addition to this hourly pay rate; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Santa Cruz County Office of Education hereby certifies the nature of the appointment of Jody Belgard as described herein and detailed in the attached employment agreement/contract/appointment document and that this appointment is necessary to fill the critically needed position of Senior Systems Support Liaison for the Santa Cruz County Office of Education by September 1, 2024 because the Santa Cruz County Office of Education has flown the position since March, 2024 with no viable candidates. When a non-retired individual has been hired into the Senior Systems Support Liaison position immediate training and mentoring will be required to understand the functionality of the business integrated financial system and the support Santa Cruz County provides the school districts for human resources, finance, payroll and department staff.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this 15th day of August 2024, by the following vote:

**AYES:**

**NAYS:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

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Sue Roth, President  
Santa Cruz County Board of Education

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Dr. Faris M. Sabbah, Secretary  
Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools