

SACRAMENTO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FUNDING FOR JUVENILE COURT AND COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Resolution No. 23-01

March 7, 2023

WHEREAS, the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) operates juvenile court and community schools to provide public education for students;

WHEREAS, students enrolled in SCOE court and community schools need individualized academic, social-emotional learning, and career technical education courses of study; and

WHEREAS, SCOE juvenile court schools provide public education for students who are incarcerated in facilities operated by the Sacramento County Probation Department; and

WHEREAS, SCOE community schools provide opportunities for students to prepare for post-secondary education, meet graduation requirements, college and career transition support, and receive health and mental services; and

WHEREAS, SCOE students attending a juvenile court or community school have unique needs, including higher rates of trauma requiring mental health support; obstacles to receiving specialized supports in a comprehensive school setting; a need for specialized supports and services; credit deficiency and unfinished learning; and more; and

WHEREAS, juvenile court and community schools have unpredictable enrollment levels throughout a school year, while their specialized staffing costs remain consistent; and

WHEREAS, the average daily attendance (ADA)-only funding model does not support core and ongoing staffing needs and does not account for the variable enrollment and attendance of the court and community school model; and

WHEREAS, the ADA-only funding model does not account for the complexity of the realignment of the Department of Juvenile Justice affecting Sacramento County; and

WHEREAS, an ADA-only funding model creates inequitable programs across the 58 counties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board does urge the State Legislature and Governor's Administration to support sustainable fiscal resources for the provision of public education and college and career transition for youth enrolled in

juvenile court and community schools by establishing a funding formula that supports the provision of academic, college and career readiness, and social-emotional services.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Sacramento County Board of Education at its regular Board meeting on the 7th day of March 2023 by the following vote:

AYES	_____	_____
NOES	_____	_____
ABSENT	_____	_____
ABSTAIN	_____	_____

Paul A. Keefer, MBA, Ed.D., Board President

David W. Gordon, Board Secretary