

SAN RAFAEL CITY SCHOOLS

RESOLUTION 2627-1

PROCLAIMING SAN RAFAEL CITY SCHOOLS' DEDICATION TO SERVING THE NEEDS OF EACH AND EVERY STUDENT THROUGH ONGOING RECOGNITION AND AWARENESS

WHEREAS, there are days, weeks, and months dedicated to celebrating different ethnic heritages and acknowledging the need for mental health and wellness supports for all students; San Rafael City Schools is, however, committed to recognizing and celebrating our diversity all school year long; and

WHEREAS, California has one of the largest and most diverse student populations in the nation. Ethnic minorities account for over 71 percent of the student population, with more than 90 languages spoken in public schools. San Rafael City Schools is representative of these diverse demographics that make our state great, and we have a commitment to serve all students as well as staff from all backgrounds, driven by our District's core values of equity, community and joy; and,

WHEREAS, San Rafael City Schools recognizes that when educational organizations are committed to enhancing diversity, equity, community, inclusion and joy, student learning and outcomes improve. Students benefit from seeing themselves mirrored in the front of the classroom, in administration, in curriculum, in community events and holiday celebrations; it is about making our students, as well as our staff, visible and embraced within our District. Not only does increasing diversity, equity, community, inclusion and joy give our students more opportunities to visualize a successful future, it also exposes them to more ideas, information and cultures, all of which are necessary to thrive in a diversifying global economy; and

WHEREAS, San Rafael City Schools acknowledges its responsibility to provide for the physical and emotional safety of all its students; and

WHEREAS, San Rafael City Schools is committed to providing excellent professional and educational opportunities to all staff and students, embracing all backgrounds such as race, gender, ethnicity, national origin, income, sexual orientation or ability, and is guided by the core values of student learning, positive interdependence, quality performance, inclusivity, integrity and respect; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that San Rafael City Schools is committed to fostering attitudes, behaviors, practices and knowledge that promote and habituate diversity, community, inclusion, equity and joy in our District and schools as well as fostering physical and emotional safety for all students and staff;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that San Rafael City Schools are encouraged to celebrate the District's racial and ethnic diversity among students and staff and honor their tireless contributions to advancing diversity, equity and inclusion work that results in student success;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that San Rafael City Schools has prioritized mental health and social-emotional learning, as well as the provision of safe learning environments for each and every

student;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that San Rafael City Schools declares its annual support of diversity, community, equity, inclusion, and mental health and wellness of students and staff, and acknowledges recognition days, weeks, and months throughout the school year (September - June) which will include, but are not limited to the following:

Events in the SRCS District Calendar but were not reflected on this list

Suggested events, listed on the CDE Calendar

- Attendance Awareness Month - September 2026
- National Suicide Prevention Week - September 3 -19, 2026
- Labor Day September 7, 2026
- Patriot Day - September 11, 2026
- Rosh HaShanah - September 11-13, 2026
- Latino/Hispanic Heritage Month - September 15 - October 15, 2026
- Constitution Day and Citizenship Day - September 17, 2026
- Yom Kippur - September 20 - 21, 2026
- National Bullying Prevention Month - October 2026
- National Disability Employment Awareness Month - October 2026
- Week of the School Administrator - October 12–18, 2026
- Indigenous People’s Day - October 12, 2026
- Digital Citizenship Week - October 19 -23, 2026
- United Against Hate Week - October 18-24, 2026
- National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month - November 2026
- National Homeless Youth Awareness Month - November 2026
- Veterans Day - November 11, 2026
- Thanksgiving Day - November 26, 2026
- National Special Education Day December 2, 2026
- International Day of Persons with Disabilities - December 3, 2026
- Hanukkah - December 5 - 12, 2026
- Human Rights Day - December 10, 2026
- Christmas - December 25, 2026
- Kwanzaa - December 26, 2026 - January 1, 2027
- New Year’s Day - January 1, 2027
- Muslim-American Heritage Month - January 2027
- National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month - January 2027
- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - January 18, 2027
- International Holocaust Remembrance Day - January 27, 2027

- African American/Black History Month - February 2027
- Lunar New Year - February 6, 2027
- Ramadan - February 6 - March 7, 2027
- Lent - February 10 - March 25, 2027
- Presidents' Day - February 15, 2027
- National Women's History Month - March 2027
- Good Friday - March 26, 2027
- Easter March 28, 2027
- Farmworkers Day - March 31, 2027
- National Deaf History Month - April 2027
- Arab American Heritage Month - April 2027
- Month of the Young Child (MOYC) - April 2027
- Autism Awareness Day - April 2, 2027
- Dolores Huerta Day - April 10, 2027
- Passover - April 22 - 29, 2027
- Workforce Readiness Week - April 26 - 30, 2027
- Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islanders Heritage Month - May 2027
- Foster Care Awareness Month - May 2027
- Jewish American Heritage Month - May 2027
- Mental Health Awareness Month - May 2027
- Labor History Month - May 2027
- Teacher Appreciation Week May - 3 - 7, 2027
- California Student Mental Health Week - May 11- 15, 2027
- Classified School Employee Week - May 16 - 22, 2027
- Memorial Day - May 31, 2027
- Immigrant Heritage Month - June 2027
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Pride Month (LGBTQIA+) – June 2027
- Juneteenth - June 19, 2027

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that San Rafael City Schools encourages schools to showcase and amplify the role of students and staff dedicated to equity, mental health, and wellness to give agency to those voices and perspectives to nurture a collective understanding and appreciation for our District's rich diversity.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on August 11, 2026, at a regular meeting of the Governing Board of San Rafael City Schools, by the following vote:

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