# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 10.5

Meeting Date: June 6, 2024				
Subject: Approve Resolution No. 3420: LGBTQ+ Pride Month				
	Information Item Only Approval on Consent Agenda Conference (for discussion only) Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated:) Conference/Action Action Public Hearing			
<u>Division</u> : Board Office				

**Recommendation:** Approve Resolution No. 3420: LGBTQ+ Pride Month.

## **Background/Rationale:**

The district is committed to promoting a safe, inclusive, and respectful community for all of our students and staff, including the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning (LGBTQ+) community or those that may be perceived as such. The month of June is an opportunity to highlight the identities and contributions of the LGBTQ+ community as well as combat bullying and harassment based on sexual orientation and gender expression to promote and foster a safe and respectful culture within the District.

<u>Financial Considerations</u>: CARES/ESSER funding for staff expansion already dedicated through the Budget Development process.

**LCAP Goal:** Family and Community Empowerment; Safe, Emotionally Healthy, and Engaged Students

## **Documents Attached:**

1. Resolution No. 3420

and

#### SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 3420**

## **LGBTQ+ Pride Month**

**WHEREAS**, the <u>Trevor Project's 2024 U.S. National Survey on the Mental Health of LGBTQ+Young People</u> found the following:

- 39% of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning (LGBTQ+) young people seriously considered attempting suicide in the past year including 46% of transgender and nonbinary young people. LGBTQ+ youth of color reported higher rates than White peers;
- More than 1 in 10 (12%) LGBTQ+ young people attempted suicide in the past year;
- 50% of LGBTQ+ young people who wanted mental health care in the past year were not able to get it;
- More than half (54%) of transgender and nonbinary young people found their school to be gender-affirming, and those who did reported lower rates of attempting suicide;
- Nearly half (49%) of LGBTQ+ young people ages 13-17 experienced bullying in the past year, and those who did reported significantly higher rates attempting suicide in the past year than those who did not experience bullying; and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the District supports laws that promote the representation, inclusion, and privacy of LGBTQ+ people and opposes laws that prohibit positive representations of LGBTQ+ people, seek to prohibit schools from discussing topics of gender identity or sexual orientation, ban the provision of gender-affirming health care, and require school staff to disclose a minor's gender identity to the minor's parent or guardian.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Education directs the Superintendent and all District staff to do the following:

- a. Continue efforts to meet the unique needs of LGBTQ+ students, families, and staff;
- b. Continue supporting lessons, activities, curricula, and conversations that engage students in meaningful learning, research, and writing about our LGBTQ+ students, staff, and families:
- c. Continue providing resources and support for Gay-Straight Alliances or Gender and Sexuality Alliances (GSAs) and encourage the formation of such clubs at every middle and high school;
- d. Enhance LGBTQ+ curricular resources and provide mandatory professional development for teachers and staff on district policies and the creation of inclusive environments for all LGBTQ+ students and members of our school communities; and e. Identify state legislation that supports the principles outlined in this resolution and bring draft letters of support to the Board of Education for adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education on this 6th day of June, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:			
NOES:			
ABSTAIN:			
ABSENT:			
ATTESTED	TO:		
Lavinia Grac President of	-	of Educatio	n
Lisa Allen			
Secretary of	the Board	of Educatio	n