

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FUNDING FOR COUNTY OFFICE OF  
EDUCATION OPERATED JUVENILE COURT AND COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RESOLUTION No 2314-3**

**WHEREAS**, juvenile court and community schools are operated by county offices of education to provide public education for students; and

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

**WHEREAS**, juvenile court schools provide public education for students who are incarcerated in facilities operated by county probation departments; and

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

**WHEREAS**, students enrolled in 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**, the teachers, paraeducators, and staff at juvenile court and community schools are highly specialized, able to serve multiple grade levels, multiple subjects, use restorative practices and inclusionary practices; and

**WHEREAS**, juvenile court and community schools are currently funded by an attendance-based funding model, known as “average daily attendance” (“ADA”); 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 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 many counties; and

**WHEREAS**, an ADA-only funding model creates inequitable programs across the 58 counties; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the County Superintendent of Schools and the Santa Clara County Board of Education 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 academic, college and career readiness, and social-emotional services.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the County Board of Education at a meeting held on February 15, 2023, by the following vote:

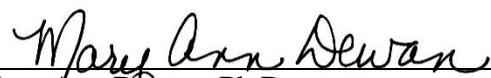
AYES: President Chon, Vice President Sreekrishnan, and Trustees Di Salvo, Lari, Mah, and Rocha

NOES: none

ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: Trustee Berta

  
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Victoria Chon, President  
Santa Clara County Board of Education

  
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Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D.  
County Superintendent of Schools