



RESOLUTION
RECOGNIZING NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION WEEK
SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION No. 2278-1

WHEREAS, April 19-23 is National Environmental Education Week - the nation's largest celebration of environmental education; and,

WHEREAS, National Environmental Education Week brings together the National Environmental Education Foundation (NEEF), educators, students, government agencies, businesses, communities, non-profit organizations, and others to inspire and promote environmental learning and stewardship of land, air, and water; and,

WHEREAS, the more we understand our connection to the environment, the more the possibilities to influence how those connections impact our health and planet as small, individual actions add up to a big difference; and,

WHEREAS, the continuing theme for National Environmental Education Week is *Greening STEM* which celebrates the many ways that people are engaging with their environment. This recurring theme encourages the delivery of high-quality Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) education and the use of natural environments and real-world challenges to engage learners; and,

WHEREAS, environmental education offers countless opportunities to improve lives, protect the environment, and prepare all Americans to address critical environmental challenges ahead; and,

WHEREAS, in support of environmental education, the Santa Clara County Office of Education offers both Walden West Environmental Education which provides science camps, summer programs, and school programs, as well as iSTEAM (Integrated Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics) which provides high-quality professional learning opportunities and instructional supports to improve teaching and learning in Artspiration, career technical education (CTE), computer science, environmental literacy, mathematics, and science; and,

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Office of Education is committed to serving, inspiring, and promoting student and public school success and aims to improve student equity and access to high-quality education, provide quality support to districts, schools, students, and communities as well as be a premier service organization;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Santa Clara County Board of Education does hereby adopt this resolution to honor Youth Art Month and recognize the value of art education at all levels for all children.



PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Clara County Board of Education at a meeting held on March 17, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: President Rossi, Vice President King and Trustees Chon, Di Salvo, Kamei, Mah and Ortiz

NOES: none

ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: none

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Claudia Rossi".

Claudia Rossi, President
Santa Clara County Board of Education

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mary Ann Dewan".

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