

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SUMMER SAFETY AND DROWNING PREVENTION**

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RESOLUTION No. 2443-1**

**WHEREAS**, summer months bring opportunities for outdoor activities, sun and heat exposure, and water activities and potential risks; and

**WHEREAS**, the American Red Cross has cultivated [summer safety tips](#) for water and beach safety, camping and picnicking, grilling and fireworks, ticks and mosquitos, heat and pets; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Clara County is home to numerous [hiking and biking trails](#) and during the summer months. Individuals spending time outdoors are encouraged to wear the proper clothing, a hat, and protective eyewear. They are encouraged to use sunscreen and insect repellent when necessary and are highly encouraged to stay hydrated; and

**WHEREAS**, individuals enjoying water recreation are encouraged to use the buddy system when swimming and enjoying water sports. Other [drowning prevention tips](#) include: learning to swim, building fences around pools, wearing a life vest, learning CPR, knowing the natural risks of bodies of water, and avoiding alcohol; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Clara County can experience extreme heat during the summer months. To avoid heat illness wear appropriate clothing, stay cool and hydrated, plan your outdoor activities to avoid the hottest parts of the day, take breaks, monitor yourself and others; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Clara County offers many free cooling centers throughout the county. Up-to-date information can be found on the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) [Emergency Advisory](#) webpage; and

**WHEREAS**, safety remains a top priority for the SCCOE and as such the organization encourages individuals to learn how to best protect themselves and loved ones especially while enjoying summer activities; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools do hereby adopt this resolution recognizing summer safety and drowning prevention.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the County Board of Education at a meeting held on June 12, 2024, by the following vote:

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

NOES: none

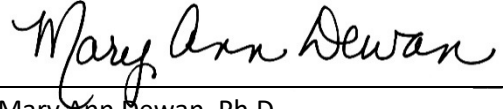
ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: Vice President Rocha

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Maimona Afzal Berta, President  
Santa Clara County Board of Education

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