

**RESOLUTION  
DENOUNCING RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION**

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RESOLUTION No. 2264-2**

**WHEREAS**, African American communities have suffered systemic racism, acts of discrimination, hate crimes, and microaggressions due to racism; and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to combat the acts of discrimination, hatred, and violence towards African Americans due to racism, we will stand together to combat social injustices and foster systems and communities anchored in dignity, love, compassion, and kindness; and

**WHEREAS**, we will make certain that we are fostering a culture that further strengthens our commitment to diversity and inclusion everywhere. As the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) is a diverse community built on a strong foundation of the principles of equity, inclusion, diversity and partnership; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clara County Office of Education and its Inclusion Collaborative, is one of two state leads for the California Equity Performance Improvement Program (CEPIP) in conjunction with the California Department of Education. CEPIP works to address equity and achievement gaps for African American students; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clara County Office of Education affirms its commitment to the well-being and safety of African-American community members and ensures that they are not alone and will be supported in helping to stop the spread of systemic racism;

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clara County Office of Education is committed to serving, inspiring, and promoting all students and public school success and is especially aware of the trauma accompanying being subject to racism, discrimination and prejudice as a barrier to positive mental health and well-being, and academic achievement; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the County Board of Education, in conjunction with the Santa Clara County Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Mary Ann Dewan, continues to support its African American community members and denounces any and all hatred, violence, racism, and discrimination.

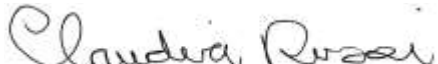
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the County Board of Education at a meeting held on June 10, 2020, by the following vote:

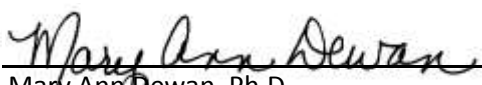
AYES: President Rossi, Vice President King, Trustees Di Salvo, Kamei, Mah, Ortiz and Song

NOES: none

ABSTAIN: none

ABSENT: none

  
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Claudia Rossi, President  
Santa Clara County Board of Education

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