WHEREAS, the Yolo County Board of Education (YCBE) believes that distance-learning and virtual attendance this year in Yolo County schools due to COVID-19 is a critical element within the school system for the purpose of obtaining meaningful exposure to the core curriculum; and

WHEREAS, the YCBE believes that an opportunity lost due to an absence cannot be fully secured through other means; and

WHEREAS, the YCBE believes that individual virtual student learning and achievement is directly related to attendance matters and expects students to be in attendance virtually; and

WHEREAS, the YCBE believes that the development of student attendance habits will directly affect workplace attendance and reliability; and

WHEREAS, the YCBE recognizes that schools, parents and communities must work as informed, knowledgeable, and proactive partners to follow-up on virtual student attendance; and

WHEREAS, expectations and consequences of school absence will be effectively shared with parents, students, and communities;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Yolo County Board of Education is committed to and encourages local districts and schools to champion individual student success by having clearly defined virtual attendance policies that maximize student achievement and mastery of core curriculum standards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Yolo County Office of Education prepare and administer a campaign to heighten awareness of absenteeism with distance-learning including consequences and attendance expectations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Yolo County Board of Education encourages and empowers teachers to adopt virtual attendance as part of classroom-level grading policies where appropriate.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Yolo County Board of Education and the Yolo County Superintendent of Schools at a meeting held on August 9, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Melissa Moreno, President
Yolo County Board of Education

Garth Lewis
County Superintendent of Schools