Resolution #23-24/6: In Support of School Attendance

WHEREAS, the Yolo County Board of Education believes that attendance is a critical element within the school system for the purpose of obtaining meaningful exposure to the core curriculum; and

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

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

WHEREAS, research shows that students who are chronically absent are at the greatest risk of falling behind and dropping out of school, which directly impacts low-income, students with disabilities, and English language learners; and

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 attendance policies that maximize student achievement and mastery of core curriculum standards.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Yolo County Board of Education encourages and empowers teachers to adopt 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 8, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: Esquivel, Moreno, Salud-Ambriz, Yip, Zendejas
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

Tico Zendejas, President
Yolo County Board of Education

Garth Lewis
County Superintendent of Schools