



DATE: January 22, 2025

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Mrs. Kerstin Kramer, Superintendent Chief Learning Officer

SUBJECT: Approve Resolution No. 20-2024-2025 - Tahoe Truckee Unified School Sites as Safe Places for All

PRESENTED BY: Mrs. Kerstin Kramer, Superintendent Chief Learning Officer

ACTION REQUESTED

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

A letter from California Governor Gavin Newsom was sent to school leaders on November 27, 2024, about federal immigration policy and enforcement practices that could impact the state's TK-12 public schools and states, "It is critical that we work together so that all children can access a quality education, be safe and secure on campus, get healthy meals, mental health care, and have the freedom to read books and learn history while continuing to ensure their parents have the right to actively participate in their children's education."

In December 2024, California Attorney General, Rob Bonta released guidance and model policies entitled "Promoting a Safe and Secure Learning Environment for All," stating in the introduction, "Immigration enforcement threats have led immigrant families to ask whether it is safe to send their children to school. Although California cannot control the actions of federal immigration enforcement agencies, federal and California laws empower schools to welcome all students and to reassure them of their educational rights and opportunities. Under the U.S. Constitution, all students have a right to receive an education without discrimination based on immigration status. In Plyler v. Doe, the U.S. Supreme Court recognized that undocumented immigrants are guaranteed due-process and equal-protection rights under the U.S. Constitution and that children cannot be denied equal access to a public education on the basis of their immigration status. Therefore, schools must provide free public education to all students regardless of their immigration status and regardless of the citizenship status of the students' parents or guardians."

Tahoe Truckee Unified School District has heard from some students and families expressing anxiety about attending school due to immigration enforcement concerns. TTUSD remains steadfast in its commitment to serving all students, regardless of their immigration status, and promoting a safe and secure environment for all.

Links to References

- [California Governor Gavin Newsom's Letter to Schools re: Immigration Enforcement](#)
- Attorney General Bonta's [Guidance and Model Policies to Assist California's K-12 Schools](#) for Promoting a Safe and Secure Learning Environment for All

RESOURCES REQUIRED: N/A

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Attachment: Resolution