

RESOLUTION
SANTA CLARA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPPORTING PARTICIPATION IN CENSUS 2020

SANTA CLARA UNIFIED BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION No. 20-01

WHEREAS, the safety, security, and well-being of all children is the number one priority for both the Santa Clara Unified School District and the Santa Clara Unified Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, a nationwide census is our civic duty, mandated by the U.S. Constitution, occurs every ten years to determine the number of congressional members each state has in the House of Representatives; to redraw state and local district lines; and determine federal program funding allocations for education, schools, and other programs that benefit and keep our communities healthy and safe; and

WHEREAS, an inaccurate census can result in losing billions of dollars in federal funds that help our schools, employees, students, families, and community as well as representation in the U.S. House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 census missed "hard-to-count" residents, including individuals and families living in hard-to-find housing units, people who speak limited or no English, zero to five year olds, disabled and elderly residents, homeless communities and new immigrants; and

WHEREAS, Santa Clara Unified values/fosters an environment free from fear, distrust, and confusion with our employees, students, families, and our larger community; and

WHEREAS, Census 2020 will impact funding for childcare, Head Start, Foster Care, School Lunch programs, Title I, Title III, and Special Education; and

WHEREAS, Santa Clara Unified supports the work of Census 2020 and authorizes Census 2020 related activities that raise awareness through the distribution of information from the Santa Clara County Office of the Census and the Santa Clara County Office of Education and encourages discussions and lessons about the Census in schools and classrooms;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara Unified Board of Education and the Superintendent do hereby adopt this resolution to support the County of Santa Clara's Census 2020 measures to locate and count all residents of Santa Clara County.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Clara Unified Board of Education at a meeting held on January 16, 2020 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Signature: _____ Title: Board President

Signature: _____ Title: Superintendent