

MODESTO CITY SCHOOLS
GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 21/22-05

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION DECLARING THE WEEK OF
OCTOBER 11-15, 2021 AS NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH WEEK

WHEREAS, school nutrition plays a vital role in helping to ensure that children reach their full potential physically, emotionally and intellectually;

WHEREAS, for many students their only nutritious meal of the day is received at school. These meals can increase a student's attention span, learning capacity and overall health;

WHEREAS, nearly 1 in 2 students enrolled in Modesto City Schools live in households that are directly certified (DC). DC households are those receiving assistance through CalFresh (formerly Food Stamps), California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs), or the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR).

WHEREAS,

- As of 2020/2021 school year all students enrolled at MCS K-12 schools receive free breakfast and lunch through the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP);
- CEP is part of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010. CEP allows high-poverty schools to serve breakfast and lunch at no charge to all students so that they can be fueled and ready to learn. Free breakfast and lunch programs are associated with improved attendance and academic success.

WHEREAS, Modesto City Schools' Nutrition Services staff are strongly committed to upholding high standards for school meals that reflect the most recent scientific consensus calling for low fat, high fiber foods to help reduce the likelihood of life threatening illnesses such as cancer and heart disease;

WHEREAS, Modesto City Schools' Nutrition Services staff work constantly to instill nutritious eating habits in children that promote lifelong health and well-being, and dedicate themselves to preparing school meals that meet the highest possible standards for nutritional quality and appeal;

WHEREAS, Modesto City Schools' Nutrition Services staff provides District students with approximately 20,650 meals each school day, equaling over 3.7 million meals every school year;

WHEREAS, recognizing the District's food service professionals and their dedication to make wholesome meals for our students a reality, provides the opportunity for students, staff, parents and the community to honor these individuals for the work they do;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the members of the Modesto City Schools' Board of Education do hereby commend the District's food service professionals for their dedication and daily contribution to the nutritional health and well-being of District students and proclaim October 11-15, 2021 National School Lunch Week within Modesto City Schools.

_____, who made the motion, which motion being duly seconded by

_____, was upon roll call, carried into Resolution passed by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAINED:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

DATE _____

Dr. Sara Noguchi, Superintendent
Board of Education, Modesto City Schools

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