

April 18, 2023

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Board Meeting – April 18, 2023

Item VI. Consent Calendar Recommendations

- D. Adoption of Board Resolution No. 44 to Recognize May 10, 2023, as National School Nurse Day

The Superintendent recommends that the County Board adopt Resolution No. 44 as part of the regular County Board meeting on April 18, 2023; and further encourages communities to acknowledge and celebrate the accomplishments of school nurses and their efforts to meet the needs of students by improving the delivery of health care in our schools, and to express gratitude to school nurses for helping student stay healthy, in school and ready to learn.

Resolution No. 44 is attached.

**Next Steps:**

- Send out LACOE communication to all 80 districts to encourage districts, schools, and partner organizations to observe National School Nurse Day and recognize the contributions of school nurses.
- Recognize students have a right to have their health needs safely met in the school setting.
- Recognize school nurses serve a critical role in promoting wellness and improving health outcomes for students.
- Highlight LACOE's leadership and commitment to school nurses through professional development for school nurses: School Health Program Managers meetings, School Nurse Orientation and Review trainings, School Nurse Chat meetings, and other school health webinars.

## BOARD RESOLUTION

### No. 44 2022-23


Adoption of Board Resolution No. 44 to Recognize May 10, 2023, as National School Nurse Day

- WHEREAS children are the future and, by investing in them today, we are ensuring our world for tomorrow; and
- WHEREAS all students have a right to have their health needs safely met while in the school setting; and
- WHEREAS children today face more complex and life-threatening health problems requiring care in school; and
- WHEREAS school nurses have served a critical role in improving public health and in ensuring students' academic success for more than 100 years; and
- WHEREAS the 2023 National School Nurse Day embodies the theme of "Celebrate Your School Nurse" and recognizes the contributions of school nurses, including the work they have done to heal our nation during this COVID-19 pandemic; and
- WHEREAS LACOE has supported school nurses, providing telebriefings on COVID-19 guidance and updates, Q&As with the LA County Department of Public Health (LACDPH), Lessons from the Field for school nurses, Level-Alike meetings and webinars; and
- WHEREAS school nurses in LA County have gone above and beyond during this pandemic, helping with liaison work with LACDPH, vaccine administration, testing and case management, screening of students and staff, COVID-19 education for staff, students and parents; they are a vital part of district and school COVID-19 compliance teams; and
- WHEREAS school nurses are professional nurses that advance the well-being, academic success and life-long achievements of all students by serving on the frontlines and providing a critical safety net for our nation's most fragile children; and
- WHEREAS school nurses act as a liaison to the school community, parents and health care providers by promoting wellness and improving health outcomes for our nation's children; and
- WHEREAS school nurses support the health and educational success of children and youth by providing access to care when children's cognitive development is at its peak; and
- WHEREAS school nurses are members of school-based mental health teams; and

WHEREAS school nurses understand the link between health and learning and are in a position to make a positive difference for children every day; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Los Angeles County Board of Education declares Wednesday, May 10, 2023 as National School Nurse Day and encourages communities to acknowledge and celebrate the accomplishments of school nurses and their efforts to meet the needs of students by improving the delivery of health care in our schools, and to express gratitude to school nurses for helping students stay healthy, in school and ready to learn.

ADOPTED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023 by the Los Angeles County Board of Education in Downey, California.

  
Debra Duardo, M.S.W., Ed.D.  
Superintendent

  
James Cross  
Board President