

September 16, 2025

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Board Meeting – September 16, 2025

Item VI. Consent Calendar Recommendations

- D. Adoption of Board Resolution No. 12 to Recognize October 2025, as National Bullying Prevention Month

The Superintendent recommends that the County Board adopt Resolution No. 12 as part of the regular County Board meeting on September 16, 2025; and further recognized October as National Bullying Prevention Month and encourages communities to observe this month with appropriate programs and activities that include seven days of action by people in every community to stop the hate and implicit biases that are a dangerous threat to the safety and civility of our schools and surrounding communities.

Resolution No. 12 follows on the next page.

**Next Steps:**

- Encourage LEAs to promote activities during the month of October to acknowledge and build awareness related to anti-bullying initiatives and provide resources to teachers, counselors and student support services administrators.
- Disseminate the Anti-bullying Student Activity Toolkit to LEA staff via various listservs and Student Support Services.
- Post and promote anti-bullying and kindness post on social media.
- Dissemination of training to schools and districts related to bullying prevention.
- Uplift activities and strategies to build awareness and reduce bullying in all forms within the school community.

## BOARD RESOLUTION

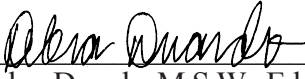
No. 12: 2025-26

### Recognize the Month of October 2025, as National Bullying Prevention Month

- WHEREAS,** bullying is a widespread issue that affects individuals of all ages, especially children and adolescents, in schools, communities and online; and
- WHEREAS,** the physical, emotional, and psychological effects of bullying can have long-lasting impacts on student's well-being, self-esteem, academic performance and mental health, placing them at increased risk for depression, anxiety and other long-term effects, and
- WHEREAS,** Schools, parents, and the community are encouraged to participate in anti-bullying activities and schools are required to develop, implement and monitor anti-bullying policies and programs.
- WHEREAS,** National Bullying Prevention Month, observed annually in October, is a time to raise awareness about bullying prevention, promote kindness and inclusion and empower individuals and communities to take action against bullying in all forms; and
- WHEREAS,** community-wide engagement and education are essential components in fostering cultures of respect, compassion and accountability.
- WHEREAS,** our belief is every person has the right to feel safe, respected and valued, and supports efforts that create a school climate that is safe, inclusive, free from bullying and harassment; and provides supportive environments for all; and
- WHEREAS,** there is a need to educate the school community about the negative impacts of bullying and commit to fostering positive school environments free from bullying, harassment and violence.
- WHEREAS,** the Los Angeles County Office of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools support National Bullying Prevention Month and are committed to building awareness and reducing incidents of bullying in all forms.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Los Angeles County Office of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools support National Bullying Prevention Month and encourages school communities to observe this month with appropriate programs and activities that include building awareness thorough various school activities to end bullying in all forms, which is a threat to the safety and civility of our schools.

**ADOPTED** this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September 2025, by the Los Angeles County Board of Education in Downey, California.

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

  
James Cross  
Board President