

WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



Resolution 11-22
Anti-Bullying Month - October 2021

WHEREAS, the Woodland Joint Unified School District Board of Trustees believes that all students have a right to a safe and healthy school environment and that the district, schools, and community have an obligation to promote mutual respect, tolerance, and acceptance; and

WHEREAS, WJUSD has a strong history of working with parents, community agencies, public safety, and other stakeholders in the communities served by WJUSD, to support the safety and positive development of our youth; and

WHEREAS, bullying and harassment can take many forms, including physical bullying; teasing or name-calling; social exclusion; cyberbullying; peer sexual harassment; bullying about race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, gender identity or expression, religion, and disability; and

WHEREAS, bullying and harassment affects students' ability to participate in or benefit from an educational program or activity; creates an intimidating, threatening, hostile, or offensive educational environment; can greatly impact a student's ability to concentrate and perform in the classroom; directly affects health and well-being and contributes to excessive absences from school; and may result in physical illness, or long-term social and emotional consequences; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has adopted Board Policy 5131.2: *Bullying*, and supports programs that address the prevention, intervention, and ultimate elimination of all types of bullying as part of a coordinated school safety effort in all WJUSD schools; and


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Woodland Joint Unified School Board of Trustees hereby declare October 2021 as "Anti-Bullying Month."


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that our Board of Trustees are committed, for the 2021-2022 school year, to review and update Board Policy 5131.2 as soon as is practical; and ensure that the materials supporting this policy are up-to-date and easily accessible on the District's website and in our schools' offices; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that schools in WJUSD are called upon to respond to school-related bullying incidents with a renewed commitment to making sure every student respects and accepts all people and by continuing to implement programs and strategies in which victims of bullying can be identified and assisted, and perpetrators educated, in order to create safer schools that provide a positive learning environment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we as adults will endeavor in our interactions to model the same behavior we expect from our students.

IN WITNESS, THERETO the Woodland Joint Unified School District does hereby adopt this resolution this 23rd day of September 2021, by unanimous vote.


BOARD SECRETARY


BOARD PRESIDENT