

Resolution of the Board of Trustees
San Diego Community College District

The San Diego Community College District Board of Trustees stands in support of students from all backgrounds, cultures, immigration status, and religions.

WHEREAS, the San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) is composed of a Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, and staff who support and value the District's purpose of providing high-quality educational opportunities for all students who can benefit from a higher education, without regard to race, ethnicity, heritage, national origin, immigration status, religion, age, gender, gender identity, medical condition, or disability; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the District and its campuses are to educate students, to be inclusive and supportive of student diversity, and to provide an educational environment that protects students from pressures and intrusive actions that would disrupt or impair their education; and

WHEREAS, the District complies with federal and state laws and regulations, such as the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) that governs the privacy of student records, AB 540, and the California DREAM Act, which exempt undocumented students from non-resident tuition and provide other benefits; and

WHEREAS, the District supports the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program (DACA) that provides a temporary reprieve from deportation for students who were brought to this country as children; and

WHEREAS, the District believes that neither California nor the United States of America will prosper without affording respect, opportunity, and support to its diverse population;


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the SDCCD Board of Trustees supports the position of the California Community Colleges Board of Governors (Resolution No. 2017-01) and affirms its continuing support for the District's diverse student population, including students arriving from other countries in any status, and students representing a variety of religious beliefs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees directs the Chancellor and Presidents to ensure that these students receive reassurance, support, and assistance in gaining a sense of security and well-being; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees supports the continuation of the following District practices: the SDCCD will not (1) allow federal immigration officials on campus absent legal authority; (2) act on behalf of federal agencies to enforce immigration laws or aid in deportation; or, (3) share student records containing immigration or citizenship status with immigration officials, absent a court order or other legal authority; and, (4) College Police will not participate in any voluntary program of immigration enforcement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees and the District will not cooperate with any federal effort to create a registry of individuals based on any protected characteristics such as religion, national origin, race, or sexual identity; and

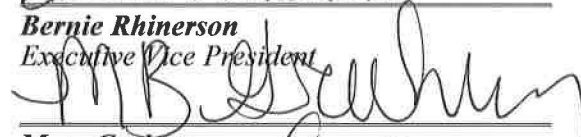
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees directs the Chancellor to share this resolution with legislators, community leaders, and organizations, and urge the new President of the United States to continue the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program.



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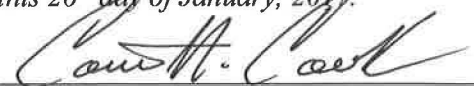


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Passed and adopted by the Board of Trustees of the San Diego Community College District in San Diego, California, this 26th day of January, 2017.



Constance M. Carroll, Ph.D.
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