

STUDENT BOARD REPORT

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**OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Community Schools, Thriving Students

Summary of Report



- Review of ACC Priorities
 - Safety, Mental Health, and OYV

- Who is ACC?
 - Introducing our Governing Board

- Site Engagement
 - All City Council's vision for engaging high schools

REVIEW OF ACC PRIORITIES

All City Council's Pillars

3 Pillars to All City Council (ACC): Quality Teaching, Student Support, and Safety

1. Pillars frame the work the All City Council Student Union and Governing Board do throughout each year
2. These pillars summarize the years of data the ACC has collected - many findings continue to be the same

ACC Focus Overview

Safety Survey

Updates:

- We had 420 responses from our High school student safety survey
 - Biggest issues:
 - Fights
 - Weapons on campus
 - Sexual Harassment
 - Lockdowns
- We had 722 responses from our Middle school student safety survey
 - Biggest Issues:
 - Lockdowns
 - Fights
 - Bullying
 - Sexual Harassment
- Nearly 1/3 of students who responded stated they did not feel safe at school
- Nearly 1/2 of students who responded stated they want more mental health services to be provided at their school site

ACC Focus Overview

Mental Health

Updates & Recommendations:

- Issue 1: Lack of Mental Health days
 - Presentations about Mental Health in class; mental health advocacy events across campuses
 - ASB/Student Leadership Involvement - Mental Health Days & Resources
 - More opportunities to strength staff and student relationships
- Issue 2: “Concrete Campuses” not enough green spaces
 - Garden classes/clubs across campuses
 - Implementation of mental health days into gardening/beautification activities
 - Bring green spaces into the classroom
 - Maintain school gardens & incorporating planting justice classes at sites as an open elective
- Issue 3: No separate spaces for students to decompress
 - Allocate spaces in classrooms/schools dedicated to recreational activities
 - Sensitivity training for teachers
 - Increasing robust support systems across sites (tutoring, planning time, office hours)

ACC UPDATES/FOCUS

OYV (Oakland Youth Vote)

Updates:

- Civic Seal of Engagement
 - Students must demonstrate excellence in civics education and participation and the democratic system of government - [Resolution No. 2223-0038](#)
 - Last year, we piloted the State Seal of Civic Engagement where 26 OUSD High School students were awarded
- Measure QQ or Oakland Youth Vote Implementation
 - On Track to allow 16 and 17 year olds to participate in school board elections during the 2024 school year - students would be able to vote for school board members in District 1, District 3, District 5, and District 7.
 - Former General Counsel, Josh Daniels along with Deborah and Ross have continued to push progress for its' implementation
 - 2023 Special Elections - Youth Vote will not be possible YET but ACC will be hosting a candidate's forum where ACC will endorse a candidate through a mock youth vote

WHO IS ACC?

2023-24 All City Council (ACC) Governing Board

Congratulations to the 2023-24 All City Council Governing Board

Student Director: Anevay Cruz & Vida Mendoza

Health & Wellness Director: Sophie Mehouelley

Culture & Climate Director: Maximus Simmons

Media Director: Amber Johnson

President: Marianna Smith

Vice President: Ashley Tchanyoum

Secretary: Joanne Diakon-Assoua



Left to Right: Marianna Smith, Ashley Tchanyoum, Sophie Mehouelley, Joanne Diakon-Assoua, Amber Johnson, Maximus Simmons, Vida Mendoza, Anevay Cruz

SITE ENGAGEMENT

Site Engagement

- All City Council Structure
 - 4 General Middle School Meetings throughout the school year - first general meeting will be in October
 - High School engagement will be looking different - this year we will be doing several general meetings per month that are site specific
 - Working on getting more student voices in the ACC priorities and to build a stronger connection between our schools and district level policies/changes
 - Encourage high schools in your district to engage with ACC this year in their leadership classes, affinity groups, and other spaces where students are leading on campus.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- All City Council's Fall Youth Organizing Retreat will be - September 29-30, 2023
 - Opportunities for student leaders to get to know each other and begin building out the 2023-24 school year
- All City Council's 1st Middle School Meeting - Oct 17th
- District 5 Candidates Forum will be held in October at Fremont High School, hosted by OUSD student leaders in collaboration with District 5 high schools in OUSD - Date to be announced



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Thank you

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