# **STUDENT BOARD REPORT**

Director Vasquez Director Simmons 03/26/2025



### OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Community Schools, Thriving Students

# Summary of Report



Student Voice
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### • Student Leadership

Student Directors attended
 2025 Stand Up! Speak Out!
 Statewide Conference



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# **STUDENT VOICE**

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### No on AB 68

AB 68 is a proposed California Law requiring at least one armed cop on public school campuses Why Oppose? This criminalizes students who are Black, Brown, and Disabled

- Increases arrests and suspensions Waste in funding: AB 68 funds cops instead of counselors and student programs

Ways to support:

- Sign the letter in opposition
- Contacting your assembly member
- Spread the word!



#### What is California Assembly Bill 68

AB 68 is a proposed California law requiring at least one armed cop on every public school campus. Studies show this disproportionately impacts Black and Latine youth, LGBTQ students, students with disabilities, and undocumented youth, often making them feel unprotected.



More Cops= More Stops

According to **California Data\***, among youth ages 12-14, **72.9 percent Black youth** police stops were for reasonable suspicion **64.0 percent of Latine(x) youth** police stops were for reasonable suspicion **Only 51.4 percent of the white youth** police stops were for reasonable suspicion More police means more targeting of Black and Brown kids.

#### Why We Oppose AB 68

Criminalizes Students: Police target Black, Brown, and disabled students,

increasing arrests and expulsions.

Doesn't Improve Safety: Police don't prevent violence—mental health support works best.



Wastes Funds: AB 68 funds cops instead of counselors and student programs.

#### What We Need Instead

More Support, Not Cops: Hire counselors, social workers, and specialists to address

conflicts. Restorative Justice Works: Peer mediation and conflict resolution improve school climate

No Policing, Stop criminalizing our students

#### **3 WAYS TO SUPPORT**

Sign The Letter of Support- Show your opposition with this letter

**Show Up** – <u>Contact your assembly membe</u>r to reject AB 68 and support real protection solutions.

**Spread the Word** – Share this, talk to parents and students, and post with #dignitynotdiscipline #schoolsnotprisons #AB68.

\*From the 2025 RIPA Report: https://oag.ca.gov/system/files/media/ripa-board-report-2025.pdf

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### 2025 Stand Up! Speak Out! Statewide Conference



- Join us on Sunday March 23rd @
  Stand Up! Speak Out! Statewide
  Conference
- Location: UC Davis Conference
  Center: Ballroom
- Time: 3pm 8pm
- Director Vasquez: Panelist for Youth
  Power: Young Activists Carrying The
  Torch
- Director Simmons: Panelist for Movement Builders: Multicultural, Anti-Carceral, In Solidarity

# **STUDENT EVENTS**

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### 4TH HIGH SCHOOL ACC MEETING

### MARCH 20, 2025

#### **CASTLEMONT HIGH** 8601 MACARTHUR BLVD BLDG. 300, OAKLAND, CA 94605

RSVP: HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/WS18GW1HGWV NCQQU8

ANY QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, OR CONCERNS? CONTACT:ADRIANA.VILLEGAS@OUSD.ORG

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## Thank you

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