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To Board of Education

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Meeting Date March 22, 2023

Subject Resolution No. 2223-0038 - Offering the Seal of Civic Engagement to OUSD Students

Ask of the Board Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 2223-0038 - Offering the Seal of Civic Engagement to OUSD Students

Background On September 10, 2020, the State Board of Education adopted criteria and guidance to award a State Seal of Civic Engagement to California students who demonstrate excellence in civics education and participation, and an understanding of the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the democratic system of government. The criteria are meant to provide local educational agencies with a framework for making determinations of student qualifications required to earn the Seal, based on their own local contexts. The criteria are written to ensure that no student is excluded from an opportunity to earn the Seal based on academic ability, alternative school settings, or unique or unconventional expressions of civic engagement.

More information is currently available at www.cde.ca.gov/pd/ca/hs/hssstatesseal.asp.

Discussion Under the proposed resolution, the District would be able to offer the Seal to eligible 11th and 12th, likely by the end of the 2022-23 school year. The proposed resolution also adopted the following state-defined criteria for determining eligibility for OUSD students to be awarded the Seal:

- (1) Students must show evidence that they are engaged in academic work in a productive way;
- (2) Students must show evidence that they demonstrate a competent understanding of United States and California constitutions; functions and governance of local governments; tribal government structures and

- organizations; the role of the citizen in a constitutional democracy; and democratic principles, concepts, and processes;
- (3) Students must show evidence that they participate in one or more informed civic engagement project(s) that address real-world problems and require students to identify and inquire into civic needs or problems, consider varied responses, take action, and reflect on efforts;
 - (4) Students must show evidence that they demonstrate civic knowledge, skills, and dispositions through self- reflection; and
 - (5) Students must show evidence that they exhibit character traits that reflect civic-mindedness and a commitment to positively impact the classroom, school, community and/or society.

Under the proposed resolution, the Superintendent or designee would determine the evidence necessary for a student to be found to have met such criteria and to adopt an Administrative Regulation (or other appropriate documentation) to memorialize this determination and to update said determination from time to time as the Superintendent or designee deems necessary.

Fiscal Impact N/A

Attachment ● Resolution No. 2223-0038 - Offering the Seal of Civic Engagement to OUSD Students

**RESOLUTION OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Resolution No. 2223-0038

Offering the Seal of Civic Engagement to OUSD Students

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2020, the State Board of Education adopted criteria and guidance to award a Seal to California students who demonstrate excellence in civics education and participation, and an understanding of the United States Constitution, the California Constitution, and the democratic system of government;

WHEREAS, the criteria are designed to make the Seal accessible to all students, regardless of their backgrounds, communities, and experiences and to support California's most underserved students in earning the Seal in ways that may not always mirror traditional student paths to civic engagement and learning;

WHEREAS, the criteria are meant to provide local educational agencies with a framework for making determinations of student qualifications required to earn the Seal, based on their own local contexts;

WHEREAS, the criteria are written to ensure that no student is excluded from an opportunity to earn the Seal based on academic ability, alternative school settings, or unique or unconventional expressions of civic engagement; and

WHEREAS, in order to earn the Seal, students must show evidence to meet the state-defined criteria: (1) be engaged in academic work in a productive way; (2) demonstrate a competent understanding of United States and California constitutions; functions and governance of local governments; tribal government structures and organizations; the role of the citizen in a constitutional democracy; and democratic principles, concepts, and processes; (3) participate in one or more informed civic engagement project(s) that address real-world problems and require students to identify and inquire into civic needs or problems, consider varied responses, take action, and reflect on efforts; (4) demonstrate civic knowledge, skills, and dispositions through self-reflection; and (5) exhibit character traits that reflect civic-mindedness and a commitment to positively impact the classroom, school, community and/or society.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board hereby seeks to offer the Seal to eligible 11th and 12th grade students in OUSD, if possible by the end of the 2022-23 school year;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board adopts the above defined state-defined criteria for determining eligibility for OUSD students to be awarded the Seal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board directs the Superintendent or designee to determine the evidence necessary for a student to be found to have met such criteria and to adopt an Administrative Regulation (or other appropriate documentation) to memorialize this determination and to update said determination from time to time as the Superintendent or designee deems necessary.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District this 22nd day of March, 2023, by the following vote:

PREFERENTIAL AYE: None

PREFERENTIAL NOE: None

PREFERENTIAL ABSTENTION: None

PREFERENTIAL RECUSE: None

AYES: Benjamin "Sam" Davis, Jennifer Brouhard, VanCedric Williams, Valarie Bachelor, Vice President Clifford Thompson, President Mike Hutchinson

NOES: None

ABSTAINED: None

RECUSED: None

ABSENT: Student Director Natalie Gallegos Chavez, Student Director Linh Le, Board Member - Vacancy

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution passed at the Meeting of the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held on March 22nd, 2023.

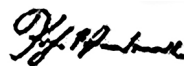
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