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OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Community Schools, Thriving Students

Memo

To Board of Education

From Tony Smith, Ph.D., Superintendent
Vernon Hal, Deputy Superintendent, Business & Operations
Jennifer Le Barre, Director of Nutrition Services

Board Meeting Date October 24, 2012

Subject Proclaiming October 24, 2012 as Food Day In the District.

Action Requested Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 1213-0037 - Proclaiming October 24, 2012 as Food Day In the District in effort to support and raise awareness for health and well-being of District students.

Background None indicated.

Discussion None indicated

Fiscal Impact None.

Recommendation Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 1213-0037 - Proclaiming Oct 2012 as Food Day In the District in effort to support and raise awareness for health well-being of District students

Attachments

- Resolution 1213-0037

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

Resolution No. 1213-0037

Proclaiming October 24, 2012 as Food Day In the District

WHEREAS, the health and well-being of our students is of primary concern for Oakland Unified School District (“District”); and

WHEREAS, 42.3% of Oakland children are overweight or obese; and

WHEREAS, high consumption of fast food and sugar sweetened beverages are contributing factors to a range of health problems and in 2003, 65% of Alameda County youth drank sodas at least once a day and 42% ate fast food at least once a week; and

WHEREAS, in Oakland there are 3.8 times as many fast-food restaurants and convenience stores as there are supermarkets and produce vendors; and

WHEREAS, in 2010, 14.5% of U.S. households were food insecure (as defined by ability to afford to put food on the table on a consistent basis in the previous year) with African Americans and Latinos having substantially higher rates of food insecurity than the national average; and

WHEREAS, expanding access to food and reducing hunger is of critical importance to our students and their families, and our twenty-one school based produce markets buy from local farms and sell fresh produce in our school communities; and

WHEREAS, the District has eliminated the majority of prepackaged food that was being served at schools and serves fresh fruit and vegetables at every meal with at least 43% of the produce coming from local sources; and

WHEREAS, the District proudly offers a “universal breakfast” ensuring that all Oakland students can eat school breakfast free of charge, at school sites where breakfast is served,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby proclaims Wednesday, October 24, 2012 as **FOOD DAY** in Oakland Unified School District; supports the efforts to raise awareness of the link between well-being and access to and consumption of fresh, affordable, real food, and urges all residents to participate in the activities planned.

Passed by the following vote:


AYES: **David Kakishiba, Alice Spearman, Christopher Dobbins, President Jody London**

NOES: **None**

ABSTENTIONS: **None**

ABSENCES: **Gary Yee, Noel Gallo, Vice President Jumoke Hinton-Hodge**

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District at a Regular Meeting held October 24, 2012.



Edgar Rakestraw
Secretary, Board of Education
Oakland Unified School District