

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

Resolution No. 1617-0020

Directing the Superintendent to Delay School Consolidations to School Year 2018-19

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is concerned with its ability to recruit and retain talented school leaders; and

WHEREAS, school consolidations and other program changes are more successful when principals and others in school communities have the opportunity to be involved in leadership roles; and

WHEREAS, previous attempts to reconfigure schools, such as closures and consolidations, have backfired and led to decreased enrollment in the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board cannot afford to lose any more families or principals at a time of declining District enrollment; and

WHEREAS, the Board acknowledges the need to identify and act on potential operational efficiencies in an intentional way that respects District school leaders' roles,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education directs the Superintendent to delay school consolidations until the 2018-19 School Year (excepting any school communities that may be too small to sustain), affording school communities more time to be involved in planning; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board directs the Superintendent to proceed with planning for consolidations in the 2018-19 School Year.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of January, 2017 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

APPROVED:

James Harris
President of the Board of Education
Oakland Unified School District

Attest:

Antwan Wilson
Secretary, Board of Education of the
Oakland Unified School District