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**OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT**
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To Board of Education

From Denise Gail Saddler, EdD, Superintendent
Jeff Dillon, Sr., Chief of Talent

Meeting Date August 12, 2026

Subject Application for Local Assignment Option– California Commission on Teacher Credentialing – Named Employees for the School Year 2026-2027

Ask of the Board Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 2627-0053 - Local Assignment Option - California Commission on Teacher Credentialing - Named Employees for School Year 2026-2027:

1. Masika Henry, K-12th grade Speech Therapist, Special Education Department;
2. Margarita Ferrer, K-12th grade Speech Therapist, Special Education Department;
3. Morgan Friar, K-12th grade Speech Therapist, Special Education Department; and
4. Molly Ramassini, K-12th grade Speech Therapist, Special Education Department.

Background California Education Code 44831 allows districts to assign certificated employees outside of their area of credential authorization in accordance with Local Assignment Option provisions. A certificated employee, with their consent, may be assigned to a position as a legal way to cover an assignment for CTC based on a COC; Master in Speech Communication; CA SLP License and Board approval.

Discussion

The Board of Education may approve Local Assignment Option for certificated employees as a legal way to cover an assignment for CTC. The current request is for one (1) Local Assignment Option for a Special Education certificated employee to provide instruction in the District as a Speech Therapist.

1. Masika Henry graduated from Long Island University with a Master's in Speech-Language Pathology and holds a license issued by the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensers Board.
Under Local Assignment Option: EC §44831 Masika holds the necessary requirements to be placed in a Speech Therapist assignment.
2. Margarita Ferrer graduated from San Jose State University with a master's in education/ Speech Pathology and holds a license issued by the Speech-Language Pathology.
Under Local Assignment Option: EC §44831 Margarita holds the necessary requirements to be placed in a Speech Therapist assignment.
3. Morgan Friar graduated from San Jose State University with a master's in science in Communication Sciences and Disorders and holds a license issued by the Speech-Language Pathology.
Under Local Assignment Option: EC §44831 Morgan holds the necessary requirements to be placed in a Speech Therapist assignment.
4. Molly Ramassini graduate from the University of Florida with a master's in communication sciences and Disorders and holds a license issued by the Speech-Language Pathology.
Under Local Assignment Option: EC §44831 Molly holds the necessary requirements to be placed in a Speech Therapist assignment.

Fiscal Impact

N/A

Recommendation Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 2627-0053 - Local Assignment Option - California Commission on Teacher Credentialing - Named Employees for School Year 2026-2027:

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**RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Resolution No. 2627-0053**

- Application for Local Assignment Option – California Commission on Teacher Credentialing – Named Employee for the School Year 2026-2027 -
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WHEREAS, California Education Code, Section 44831 authorizes the Board of Education to assign certificated employees outside as a legal way to cover an assignment for CTC in accordance with Local Assignment Option provisions. A certificated employee may legally cover assignment for CTC based on a COC; Masters in Speech Communication; CA SLP License; Board approval and the educator's consent in accordance with applicable Commission on Teacher Credentialing regulations and guidance; and,

WHEREAS, California Education Code, Section 44831 provides flexibility to employing agencies to address staffing needs in shortage areas by permitting qualified certificated employees to serve in assignments outside of their credential authorization, and such assignment option is voluntary and does not result in the issuance of a credential by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves an application to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing for a Local Assignment Option to be issued to the following individual so the employee may serve in the District for the 2026–2027 school year:

1. Masika Henry, K-12th grade Speech Therapist, Special Education Department;
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Passed by the following vote:

PREFERENTIAL AYE:

PREFERENTIAL NOE:

PREFERENTIAL ABSTENTION: PREFERENTIAL RECUSE:

AYES:

NOES: None

ABSTAINED:

RECUSE:

ABSENT:

CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution passed at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held on August 12, 2026.

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