

**MOTIONS/RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO
THE LOS ANGELES CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR CONSIDERATION**

SUBJECT: California Clean Air Day: Protecting the Planet and the Health and Safety of Los Angeles Unified School District Students (Res-010-19/20)

DATE NOTICED: 09-03-19

PRESENTED FOR ACTION: 10-01-19

PRESENTED BY: Mr. Melvoin, Ms. Gonez,
Ms. Goldberg

MOVED/SECONDED BY: Ms. García/
Ms. Gonez

MOTION:

RESOLUTION: x

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District, including its Office of Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS), is committed to the health and welfare of students, staff, and communities and is committed to improving the environment;

Whereas, According to the American Lung Association, Los Angeles ranks among the 10 cities in the country with the worst air pollution;

Whereas, Vehicle idling contributes significantly to air pollution, increase incidences of cancer and heart and lung disease, and adversely affects the health of young children whose lungs are still developing;

Whereas, The University of Southern California Children's Health Study finds that days with higher air pollution levels increase short term respiratory infections and specifically affect younger children disproportionately, leading to more school absences; and

Whereas, Education about air quality raises community awareness and improves community health and to promote public awareness and engagement, agencies across the state acknowledge, recognize, and participate in California Clean Air Day; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That Los Angeles Unified School District will recognize and participate in California Clean Air Day annually on the first Wednesday of October, promoting clean air for Angelenos and Californians;

Resolved further, That the District shall provide school leaders with information on age-appropriate Clean Air Day activities to reduce pollution, using materials to promote such activities to students and families. Examples of activities include:

- Walking/biking to school
- Carpooling to and from school
- Planting a garden or a tree
- Student essay contests
- Student poster contests
- Student research projects;

Resolved further, That the Superintendent develop partnerships with other government entities, including the Mayor and City Council of Los Angeles;

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Resolved further, That District staff for all schools within the District, as appropriate, shall evaluate and designate “idle-free zones”; and, be it finally

Resolved, That the Superintendent and OEHS shall explore the feasibility of leveraging partnerships to provide air quality monitoring devices with the goal of installing such devices at all elementary schools in the District by 2022 and prioritizing schools near freeways, airports, and other sources of high level particulate matter.

AYES NOES ABSTAIN ABSENT

| | <u>AYES</u> | <u>NOES</u> | <u>ABSTAIN</u> | <u>ABSENT</u> |
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| Ms. Garcia | X | | | |
| Ms. Goldberg | X | | | |
| Ms. Gonez | X | | | |
| Dr. McKenna | X | | | |
| Mr. Melvoin | X | | | |
| Mr. Schmerelson | X | | | |
| Dr. Vladovic | X | | | |
| TOTAL | 7 | | | |

ACTION: ADOPTED AS AMENDED BY CONSENT VOTE