

## Multicultural Education Month

The Board of Education  
Pittsburg Unified School District

### Resolution 17-29

**WHEREAS:** The strength and richness of our community is in its diversity, The Board of Trustees affirms its commitment to continuing the District's systemic efforts to build a society free of hatred, bigotry, and racism within our schools.

**WHEREAS:** Equity and equality are not interchangeable terms. The concept of educational equity goes beyond formal equality -- where all students are treated the same -- to fostering a barrier-free environment where all students, regardless of background, have the opportunity to benefit equally; we believe that equity must be measured by access and outcomes.

**WHEREAS,** Multicultural Month is about recognizing the unique aspects of different cultures and peoples through recognizing the unique aspects of different cultures and peoples, as well as promoting greater self-understanding, positive self-concept and pride in one's ethnic identity.

**WHEREAS:** The Board of Education is committed to addressing disparities in educational access for all students within the boundaries of the Pittsburg Unified School District.

**WHEREAS:** The School District is committed to the success and well-being of all students, of all ethnicities through the use of systemic structures to support all students within our school system.

**WHEREAS:** The Board of Education desires that multicultural education be integrated across the curriculum into as many subjects as possible rather than providing isolated lessons on different cultures.

**WHEREAS:** Board Policy 6146.6 states that multi-cultural education is "to foster intercultural understanding, communication and respect in an increasingly diverse society, curriculum and instruction at all grade levels shall reflect the perspective and experiences of various cultural, ethnic, racial and social groups;" now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED;** THE School Board for Pittsburg Unified School District hereby declares April as Multicultural Month.


**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED;** THE School Board for Pittsburg Unified School District hereby requests the Superintendent to support the school sites in promoting activities or instructional lessons that corresponds to the intent of Board Policy 6146.6 "recognize the contributions of different groups of people to the history, life and culture of the local community, California, the United States and other nations."

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** Beyond this month, and this school year, all staff and students will be provided with the opportunity to access education needed to understand identity with regards to gender, ethnicity, parental status, ability, religion, or sexual orientation and the connection between identity and the disparate impact of both contemporary and historical practices in education, and society as a whole, on our students.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the Board of Education is hereby requesting the Superintendent to post a copy of this resolution at each school site within the School District.

**Passed and Adopted,** on January 24, 2018, at a regular meeting of the Board of Education by the following vote:

AYES:	5	(Arenivar, Canciamilla, Miller, Smith, Woolridge) (Elam – Student Member)
NOES:	0	
ABSTAIN:	0	
ABSENT:	0	

  
De'Shawn Woolridge, Board President