



RESOLUTION OF THE CALIFORNIA PARTNERSHIP FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY ENDORSING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION EXCELLENCE.

WHEREAS, the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley ("Partnership") was established by Executive Order S-22-06 to focus attention on one of the most vital, yet challenged regions of the state and implement changes that would improve the economic well-being of the Valley and the quality of life of its residents; and,

WHEREAS, the Partnership has ten work groups each assigned to carry out the goals and recommendations in the Strategic Action Proposal; and,

WHEREAS, the mission of the PreK-12 Work Group is to implement policies and programs through public-private partnerships to ensure equal access to educational opportunities and resources for all children that will improve academic performance; and,

WHEREAS, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger established The Governor's Committee on Education Excellence to achieve the specific goals of analyzing current impediments to excellence, exploring ideas and best practices relevant to California, and recommending changes and reforms to improve education in California; and,

WHEREAS, the PreK-12 Work Group wishes to formally endorse the report recommendation of strengthening teaching and leadership so that all schools have a steady supply of highly effective teachers and administrators; and,

WHEREAS, the PreK-12 Work Group wishes to formally endorse the report recommendation of ensuring fair funding that rewards results to support the attainment of our educational goals for all students, recognizing students have differential needs, specifically including ; and,

WHEREAS, the PreK-12 Work Group wishes to formally endorse the report goal of streamlining governance and strengthening accountability to transform the system from a culture of compliance to a culture of continuous improvement against rigorous state standards, through clarification of local and state roles and responsibilities; and,

WHEREAS, the PreK-12 Work Group wishes to formally endorse the report recommendation of improving data systems and using them wisely so that the student-centered system is driven by reliable, timely and valid information about outcomes and performance, resources, and opportunities, analyzed to promote improvement; and,

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WHEREAS, the PreK-12 Work Group wishes to formally endorse the report recommendation of creating a foundation for continuous improvement recognizing that in a student-centered system many learning needs are developed before students reach the classroom; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CALIFORNIA PARTNERSHIP FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY that the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley hereby supports the recommendations of the Governor's Committee on Education Excellence as endorsed by the PreK-12 Education Work Group; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley wishes to be considered by the State as an early adopter for initiatives that advance the implementation of the following recommendations in the technical report of the Governors Committee on Education Excellence:

- Recommendation 1.1: Implement a Professional Model of Teaching in California
- Recommendation 1.2 Implement a Professional Model of Education Leadership in California
- Recommendation 1.3: Narrow the Teacher and Administrator Quality Gap
- Recommendation 1.4: Improve the Quality and Expand the Supply of New Teacher Candidates
- Recommendation 1.5: Expand and strengthen Administrator Training
- Recommendation 1.6: Promote Efficiency in Recruitment and Training Efforts
- Recommendation 4.1.3: Build the capacity of districts and schools to support improved data quality and to use data more effectively
- Recommendation 5.1: Implement a Comprehensive Preschool Package
- Recommendation 5.3: Target the Expansion of Full-Day Kindergarten

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley wishes to be considered by the State as an early adopter for initiatives that accelerate training of English Learners;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley seeks support from the State to help develop more of a college-going culture in the San Joaquin Valley, including expansion of AVID programs;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley seeks support from the State to significantly expand career technical education programs in the San Joaquin Valley; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley seeks support from the State to significantly expand pre-kindergarten programs in the San Joaquin Valley.

PASSED APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 12th day of September, 2008, by the board of the California Partnership for the San Joaquin Valley.



Connie Conway, Chair