

**SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE ELEMENTARY
AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 2023
OPEN SESSION BEGINS AT 6:00 P.M.
ZOOM REMOTE BOARD MEETING**

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AGENDA

Item	Purpose / Support
Agenda (Estimated Time)	
1. Convene Open Session	6:00 p.m.
1.1 Roll Call	
1.2 Resolution #39-22-23: Proclaiming May 8-12, 2023 for Flying the Rainbow Flag and Honoring Harvey Milk Day	<i>Recommendation: Approve Resolution #39-22-23: Proclaiming May 8-12, 2023 for Flying the Rainbow Flag and Honoring Harvey Milk Day</i>
2. Adjournment	

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Traducciones del inglés al español y del español al inglés están disponibles en las sesiones de la mesa directiva. Por favor haga arreglos por anticipado con Alyssa Martinez por teléfono al número (831) 429-3410 x48220.

Board Meeting Information

1. The Study Session on April 26, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
2. The Regular Board Meeting on May 10, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
3. The Study Session on May 24, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
4. The Regular Board Meeting on May 31, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
5. The Regular Board Meeting on June 14, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.

SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

AGENDA ITEM: Resolution 39-22-23: Proclaiming May 8-12 for Flying the Rainbow Flag

MEETING DATE: April 26, 2023

FROM: Kris Munro, Superintendent

RECOMMENDATION:

Take action as appropriate on the resolution of Santa Cruz City Schools supporting May 8-12 to fly the Rainbow Flag in honor of Harvey Milk Day.

BACKGROUND:

Harvey Milk Day was established by the California legislature and signed into law by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger in 2009 as Harvey Milk was the first openly gay elected official in the history of California. LGBTQ+ community members across Santa Cruz County have made significant contributions to our community including Senator John Laird who was the first openly gay elected official in Santa Cruz County, Mayor Jimmy Dutra in Watsonville, Mayor Donna Meyers in Santa Cruz and many other public officials across the county. The Santa Cruz City School District supports the rights, freedoms and equality of those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, pansexual, and asexual (LGBTQ+).

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

This work is in direct support of the following district goals and its corresponding metrics:

Goal #2: SCCS will create positive, engaging school environments that promote the development of cognitive skills and the social emotional well-being of all students.

Goal #6: SCCS will maintain strong communication and partnerships with its diverse community.

RESOLUTION 39-22-23
PROCLAIMING MAY 8-12, 2023 FOR FLYING THE RAINBOW FLAG
AND HONORING HARVEY MILK DAY

WHEREAS, Harvey Milk Day was established by the California legislature and signed into law by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger in 2009; and

WHEREAS, California *Education Code* Section 37222.13 designates May 22 of each year as Harvey Milk Day, a day having special significance and encourages all public schools and educational institutions to conduct exercises remembering the life of Harvey Milk, recognizing his accomplishments, and familiarizing pupils with the contributions he made to this state.

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2011, the Fair, Accurate, Inclusive and Respectful (FAIR) Education Act was passed and signed into law in California and mandates the inclusion of the political, economic, and social contributions of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people in the social studies and history curricula in California public schools; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2016, the California State Board of Education passed a new History Social Science Framework that includes LGBTQ+ American history content to be taught in K-12 classrooms that includes the importance of Harvey Milk; and

WHEREAS, Harvey Milk was the first openly gay elected official in the history of California; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ community members across Santa Cruz County have made significant contributions to our community including Senator John Laird who was the first openly gay elected official in Santa Cruz County, Mayor Jimmy Dutra in Watsonville, Mayor Donna Meyers in Santa Cruz and many other public officials across the county; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ individuals and allies across Santa Cruz County continue to make noteworthy and important contributions to American history, culture and society; and

WHEREAS, all students deserve to feel safe and welcome in their schools and to see themselves represented in the curricula; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz City School District supports the rights, freedoms and equality of those who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, pansexual, and asexual (LGBTQ+); and

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz City School District affirms its role in, and commitment to, continuing the historical process of transforming the educational system to ensure inclusiveness, safety, and a sense of belonging for all LGBTQ+ students, teachers, staff, and their families; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Cruz City School District celebrates Harvey Milk Day and invites all educational institutions, organizations, companies and individuals across Santa Cruz to fly the rainbow flag from May 8-12, 2023 in honor of Harvey Milk Day, and encourages teachers to teach lessons about LGBTQ+ history during this week in their classrooms aligned with the State History Framework.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Cruz City Schools Board of Education at a meeting held on April 26, 2023, by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

Approved on this date, April 26, 2023

Board President, Santa Cruz City Schools
Schools

Superintendent, Santa Cruz City