



ONTARIO-MONTCLAIR SCHOOL DISTRICT
Ontario, California

Adoption of Resolution 2021-22-03
Recognizing October as School Safety Awareness Month

WHEREAS, excellence in education is dependent on safe, orderly, secure, and peaceful school environments that promote a positive school culture and climate to support student academic success;

WHEREAS, the Ontario-Montclair School District (OMSD) is committed to maintaining safe and secure school environments year-round;

WHEREAS, OMSD is committed to helping our school communities continue to be as prepared as possible and to maintain safe and secure school environments year-round throughout our emergency preparedness efforts for Earthquakes, Medical Emergencies, Fire Safety Procedures, Drills/Emergency Response practices and school site Emergency Plans;

WHEREAS, OMSD maintains school safety as a top priority and as such, OMSD created the “See Something, Hear Something, Say Something” Campaign and the OMSD Safety Department;

WHEREAS, OMSD supports and recognizes the important roles our Campus Safety Officers, Campus Mentors, School Psychologist, Counselors, Crisis Management Teams, play in ensuring safe school environments that promote a positive school culture;

WHEREAS, OMSD engages partnerships to promote safe routes to school;

WHEREAS, OMSD provides a continuum of services and programs that offer physical, social, emotional, behavioral, and intellectual supports intended to enable all student so have an equal opportunity for success at school by eliminating barriers and promoting engagement in learning through safe and respectful school environments through the efforts of the Family and Collaborative Services Department;

WHEREAS, school safety is a shared responsibility and as such designates October as School Safety Awareness Month in OMSD;

WHEREAS, during the month of October, Administrators will be asked to encourage participation from students, staff and families to create activities, conversations and highlight areas of focus that promote the importance of school safety through the lenses of engagement, equity, encouragement, and education;

Engagement – All safety initiatives should begin by listening to students, families, teachers, and school leaders and working with existing community organizations, and build intentional, ongoing engagement opportunities into the District’s program structure.

Equity– Ensuring that initiatives are benefiting all demographic groups, with particular attention to ensuring safe, healthy, and fair outcomes for all students, staff, and community members.

Encouragement – Generating enthusiasm and increased participation of students and staff through events, activities, and programs to promote ownership and active engagement.

Education – Providing students, staff, and community members with resources and education about the importance of school safety from all aspects, to support student academic success.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby determine school safety is a shared responsibility and as such, this resolution promotes school safety from a wide perspective and has designated October as School Safety Awareness Month.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following vote by the Board of Trustees of the Ontario-Montclair School District, County of San Bernardino, State of California on September 16, 2021.

Attest:

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