

ANAHEIM UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ANAHEIM UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Day of the Special Educator

RESOLUTION NO. 2025/26-E-12

November 13, 2025

On the motion of Trustee Randle-Trejo and duly seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, *Day of the Special Educator* will be observed throughout the nation on December 2nd, in recognition of the anniversary of the signing of the nation's first federal special education law by Gerald R. Ford on December 2, 1975; and

WHEREAS, the original Public Law (P.L.) 94-142, has been reauthorized several times since 1975, most recently as P.L. 101-457, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA) of 2004; and

WHEREAS, before President Ford signed the nation's first special education law on December 2, 1975, many students with disabilities were denied access to education and opportunities to learn, but this changed with a law that assures a free and appropriate public education to all children with disabilities in states receiving federal funds; and

WHEREAS, approximately 679,000 students with disabilities are supported by the state and local school districts throughout the state of California through a variety of direct services to students with special needs and their parents; and

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WHEREAS, the Anaheim Union High School District provides special education and related services to nearly 3,400 students with disabilities, whose needs represent every disabling condition identified in federal law, including autism, specific learning disabilities, speech and language disorders, visual impairments, deaf and hard-of-hearing disabilities, emotional disturbances, intellectual disabilities, other health impairments, traumatic brain injuries, orthopedic disabilities, deaf-blindness, and multiple disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Anaheim Union High School District provides a full continuum of special education and related services, through a highly skilled special education staff of teachers and other specialists; and

WHEREAS, the Anaheim Union High School District also serves as the Responsible Local Agency (RLA) for the Greater Anaheim Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA), that provides two program specialists dedicated to providing services to the Anaheim Union High School District, and along with a variety of other specialists, assist in providing program supports and services throughout all of the SELPA member districts; and

WHEREAS, the Anaheim Union High School District's general education and district's support staff including principals, assistant principals, teachers, counselors, nurses, bus drivers, food services workers, secretaries and other clerical staff, health services technicians and other site, and District staff also provide support and services to students with disabilities;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Anaheim Union High School District hereby recognizes December 2, 2025, as Day of the Special Educator, in honor of the 49th Anniversary of the signing of P.L. 94-142, the accomplishments of our nation under IDEA, and celebrate the students, families, and educators who ensure that students with disabilities have equal access to a free and appropriate public education. The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, on November 13, 2025, by the following roll call vote:

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AYES: Trustees Magcalas, Hoshi, Randle-Trejo, Guerrero, and O'Neal

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
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COUNTY OF ORANGE)

I, Michael B. Matsuda, superintendent of the Anaheim Union High School District of Orange County, California, and secretary to the Board of Trustees thereof, hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution was duly and regularly adopted by the said Board of Trustees at the regular meeting thereof held on the 13th day of November 2025, and passed by a roll call vote of all members of said board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th day of November 2025.


Michael B. Matsuda
Superintendent and
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

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