

Issaquah School District #411
In Support of the Superintendent Statement to Families Regarding DACA
Resolution No. 1101

THIS RESOLUTION of the Board of Directors of the Issaquah School District No. 411 is in support of Superintendent Ron Thiele's statement to families regarding DACA dated September 14, 2017 and posted on the Issaquah School District website as follows:

Dear Issaquah School District families, staff and community,

We understand that families and students may feel uncertain or have concerns regarding the recent DACA announcement. We want to assure you that all Issaquah School District students have the right to public education. The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in Plyler vs. Doe (457 U.S. 202 (1982)) that undocumented children and young adults have the same right to attend public primary and secondary schools as do U.S. citizens and permanent residents.

The District will continue to ensure equal access to education for all our students. The District does not ask for or collect immigration status information. The District remains hopeful that Congress will work together to reach a bipartisan resolution on issues related to DACA.

Our state's public education system exists so that all students learn. This foundational concept is clearly stated in Article IX, Section I of our state constitution:

"It is the paramount duty of the state to make ample provision for the education of all children residing within its borders, without distinction or preference on account of race, color, caste, or sex."

The Issaquah School District cares deeply about all our students and families and remains committed to all students achieving academic success. Our staff remains committed to supporting every child's emotional wellbeing, and we will do everything in our power to ensure that all students feel safe and welcomed at school.

Ron Thiele, Superintendent

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Issaquah School District No. 411 agrees with the Superintendent's statement on DACA; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Issaquah School District No. 411, cares deeply about and affirms our commitment to a safe, welcoming, and inclusive environment for every student without regard to their race, religion, national origin, or immigration status;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved the Board of Directors of the Issaquah School District No. 411 does hereby adopt Resolution No. 1101 In Support of the Superintendent Statement to Families Regarding DACA.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors the 27th day of September, 2017

ATTEST: _____
Secretary, Board of Directors