

SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION NO. 2673

SACRAMENTO GOES BACK TO SCHOOL
First Day of School Celebration

WHEREAS, Sacramento Goes Back to School is an annual school celebration in the District that focuses attention on the importance of improving the education of children through strong school, family and community partnerships; and

WHEREAS, Parents, grandparents, community leaders, representatives from colleges and universities, employers and employees, members of the arts community, religious leaders are caring adults who are vital partners for our schools, and

WHEREAS, Sacramento Goes Back to School is an opportunity to welcome the entire school community of educators, parents, and community members to celebrate the start of a new academic year to encourage parents and community members to stay involved in support of schools, and

WHEREAS, Research, conducted during the past 50 years by top research institutions across the country, clearly shows that parental and community involvement is critical to student success and academic achievement; and

WHEREAS, the First Day of School Foundation reported that as much as 80% of all parents surveyed in a national poll indicated that the No. 1 reason why they did not get involved in their children's school was that they did not feel welcome; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Education reported that parents who accompanied their child on the first day of school were more likely to stay involved with the school for the remainder of the year and support their children's education; and

WHEREAS, Experience shows that when parents and community members take time to visit schools on special days like the start of a new school year they send a powerful message to children that says: "SCHOOL IS IMPORTANT!"

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, That September 6, 2011 be recognized by all schools in the district as Sacramento Goes Back to School, First Day of School Celebration; and, that on this day, schools shall reach out and encourage our children's families to accompany their children to school to celebrate this very special day – the start of a whole new year of learning!

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education extends its sincere wishes to all our students and their families for a successful and exciting new year of learning and achievement.

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSTAIN: _____

ABSENT: _____

Gustavo Arroyo,
President of the Board of Education

ATTESTED:

Jonathar P. Raymond
Secretary of the Board of Education