

**Highline School District No. 401
Resolution 11-21**

Best Starts for Kids Endorsement

WHEREAS, Every baby born and every child raised in King County is entitled to path toward lifelong success throughout life. Children need a stable home environment and access to basic needs in order to thrive at home and in school;

WHEREAS, Investments in prevention and early intervention strategies are proven practices that promote healthier, more resilient children, youth, families and communities;

WHEREAS, Best Starts for Kids is considered the most comprehensive approach to early childhood development in the United States, starting with prenatal support, sustaining the gain through teenage years, and investing in safe, healthy communities that reinforce progress;

WHEREAS, Since 2015 Best Starts for Kids has served more than 500,000 children, youth, young adults, and families, providing comprehensive supports from pre-natal development all the way to young adulthood;

WHEREAS, Best Starts for Kids data clearly indicates significant progress from 2015 on all tracked indicators and there is recognition that the Best Start for Kids impact needs to be sustained and grown;

WHEREAS, The 2015 Best Starts for Kids levy expires December 31, 2021;

WHEREAS, The King County Regional Policy Committee and the King County Council by unanimous votes placed the significantly enhanced Best Starts for Kids renewal ordinance placed on the ballot for public vote in August 2021;

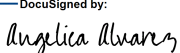
WHEREAS, This renewal ordinance will continue building and greatly expand on the successful priorities and initiatives and positive outcomes of the current Best Starts for Kids levy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Highline Public Schools Board of Directors supports the Best Start for Kids renewal before the people of King County on the August 2021 ballot, and encourages others to support as well.


Adopted and approved this 23 day of July.

Attest: 

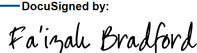
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Angelica Alvarez, President



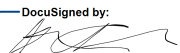
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