

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Resolution #25-51

ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH SEPTEMBER 2025

WHEREAS, strong school attendance is essential for academic achievement and high school graduation, and the South San Francisco Unified School District is committed to reducing chronic absenteeism; and

WHEREAS, chronic absence, defined as missing 10 percent or more of the school year, which equates to just two or three days a month, whether excused or unexcused, is a well-documented early indicator of academic struggles; and

WHEREAS, students who are chronically absent in kindergarten and first grade are significantly less likely to read at grade level by the end of third grade, increasing their risk of course failure, dropping out, and long-term negative impacts on the community; and

WHEREAS, improving school attendance and reducing chronic absenteeism require a coordinated community effort to promote the value of daily attendance and to identify and address barriers that prevent students from getting to school; and

WHEREAS, California's Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) requires school districts to track attendance and establish measurable goals and targeted actions to reduce chronic absenteeism; and


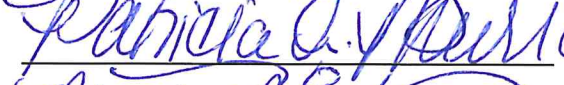
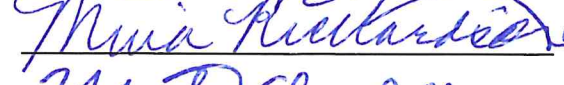
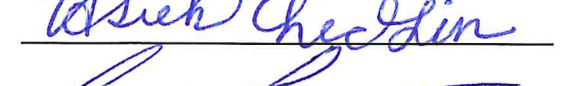

WHEREAS, chronic absence disproportionately affects low-income students, widening the achievement gap and impacting their academic progress and social development; and

WHEREAS, efforts to improve school climate, reduce lost instructional time due to disciplinary actions, and implement schoolwide strategies such as positive behavior interventions, restorative practices, and other supports can lead to significant gains in student attendance;


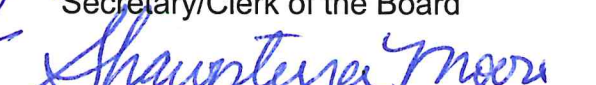
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South San Francisco Unified School District Board of Trustees hereby declares the month of September 2025 as Attendance Awareness Month and support activities to increase awareness of the importance of daily attendance, especially in the early grades Pre K-3.

REGULARLY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of August 2025.

AYES in Favor of Said Resolution

ATTEST:


Secretary/Clerk of the Board

Superintendent of Schools