

Fallbrook Union Elementary School District

Resolution #06-23/24

Recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month

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WHEREAS, Fallbrook has roots in Latin American history and the Latin American presence has been part of Fallbrook since 1769. The Fallbrook area was first settled by Native American Luiseños and 3 Mexican families including the Alvarados, the Picos and the Ocampos;

WHEREAS, the Fallbrook Union Elementary School District is comprised of a diverse community of learners, among which 64% of our students identify as Hispanic or Latino, enriching our district with a variety of cultural, linguistic, and social contributions;

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated nationwide each year from September 15 to October 15 to recognize the histories, cultures, and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America;

WHEREAS, September 15 marks the anniversary of independence for several Latin American countries, including Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua, while Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence on September 16 and September 18, respectively;

WHEREAS, Hispanic and Latin Americans have made significant contributions to our community and to our country in fields such as education, science, politics, arts, literature, and industry;

WHEREAS, the rich cultural and linguistic assets of our Hispanic and Latino students and their families significantly contribute to the strength, vibrancy, and excellence of the Fallbrook Union Elementary School District;

WHEREAS, fostering cultural diversity, equity, and inclusion is a value that enhances the educational experience for all students;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Board of the Fallbrook Union Elementary School District proclaims September 15 through October 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month in the Fallbrook Union Elementary School District, with special acknowledgment of the significant contributions of our Hispanic and Latin American students and their families to our community.

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Governing Board of the Fallbrook Union Elementary School District encourages all schools and staff within the district to actively participate in and initiate educational activities, classroom lessons, and community events that honor and celebrate the history, culture, and contributions of Hispanic and Latin Americans.

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Directs the Superintendent to distribute and make available educational resources on Hispanic and Latin American history, culture, and contributions to all schools within the district for use not only during Hispanic Heritage Month but also throughout the year.

Calls upon parents, teachers, students, and community members to engage in Hispanic Heritage Month activities that foster awareness, understanding, and mutual respect among all members of our diverse community.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 2nd day of October, 2023 at a regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Fallbrook Union Elementary School District by the following vote:

Favela:	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Lundin:	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
McBride:	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Sebalj:	<input type="checkbox"/> Aye	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Mary McBride, Acting Board President
Fallbrook Union Elementary School District

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of the Resolution duly adopted by the Board of Education on October 2, 2023

Monika Hazel, Secretary of the Governing Board
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