

Sacramento City Unified School District
Board of Education Meeting
June 25, 2020 Public Comments

Name:	Renee Webster-Hawkins
Comment:	<p>As a member of the LCAP PAC, I couldn't be prouder to work along side parents from each Trustee area who are passionate, smart and motivated to both support and push this District to meet or exceed the needs of ALL students during this pandemic and opportunity to disrupt the institutional racism at every level. Thank you to the Superintendent for engaging the PAC in the District's plan to Return to Learning in Fall 2020. Thank you for hearing that we are seeking a commitment to high quality instruction and social emotional support, particularly that meets the needs of our most vulnerable students first. Thank you for hearing that our community needs both onsite and at-home learning options for students depending on student learning styles, family health risks, and family employment circumstances -- and that both onsite and remote learning must be equally rigorous and supportive. Thank you for hearing that we seek consistency and accountability across all school sites, so that students and families at each school site can expect a similar quality of instruction and engagement by teachers. Thank you for hearing that we are insisting that professional development in culturally responsive instructional practices and distance learning be mandatory. Thank you for hearing that the District should maintain instructional aides and utilize them robustly to help teachers in the classroom, even though the State budget doesn't protect them from layoffs. Thank you for listening to our suggestions that vacant District or community buildings be utilized to increase the facilities needed for physically distanced classrooms, and that afterschool programs be engaged to provide more robust social emotional support for all students throughout the school day so that our teachers can focus on teaching. I think we were all impressed with the quality of the District's plan for returning to true learning in the Fall. Above all, thank you for hearing that physical safety, mental health, and racial justice must be the essential foundation for the District's Return to Learning plans, and that any opposition from labor to true accountability and equity is unacceptable.</p>

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