



## SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item # 10.1g

**Meeting Date:** June 05, 2014

**Subject:** Approve California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) Waivers for Graduation 2014

- ☐ Information Item Only
- ☒ Approval on Consent Agenda
- ☐ Conference (for discussion only)
- ☐ Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Conference/Action
- ☐ Action
- ☐ Public Hearing

**Division:** Accountability Office

**Recommendation:** Approve the California High School Exit Examination (CAHSEE) waiver requests for special education students who have passed the test with modifications.

**Background/Rationale:** The 2009-2010 Budget Act calls for an exemption to the CAHSEE for eligible students beginning with the 2009-2010 school year. Eligible students are students with a disability with an active Individual Education Program (IEP) or Section 504 Plan that indicates the student has satisfied or will satisfy state and local high school graduations on or after July 1, 2009. The district strongly encouraged students to continue taking the CAHSEE and to take advantage of CAHSEE instructional services. Many of our students continued to take advantage of support services and have taken the CAHSEE with accommodations or modifications. California will only permit students with disabilities who have passed the CAHSEE with modifications as identified in their IEP to meet the graduation requirements after local board approval of school site waiver requests (Education Code 60851, Board Policy 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements).

Education Code 60851 (c) states that a school district may establish a process for a student with disability to waive the CAHSEE requirement for high school graduation if the student successfully passes the CAHSEE while using modifications on one or both parts of the test and has met all the following requirements:

- 1) Student has an individualized educational program (IEP) that requires the modification to be provided to the student when taking the CAHSEE
- 2) Student is on track to graduate at the time of the waiver request, both in terms of credit and coursework completion
- 3) Student attains the "equivalent of a passing score" on one or both portions of the CAHSEE with modifications

The Board of Education of Sacramento City Unified District approved a waiver process for special education students passing the CAHSEE with modifications on January 19, 2006. The district's approved process established the following steps:

- 1) Special Education student's IEP team meets and formalizes appropriated instructional accommodations and/or modifications for the student
- 2) Student takes the CAHSEE with modifications in English-Language Arts (ELA), Math, or both
- 3) Student earns an equivalent of a passing score in the ELA, Math, or both parts of the CAHSEE with modifications
- 4) School site of the eligible student completes and submits the waiver request to the high school principal
- 5) After the student's academic counselor and high school principal certify that all the requirements for the waiver request are met, the Assessment, Research & Evaluation Office prepares and reviews the waiver packet with the eligible student's principal
- 6) The petition for waiver is prepared and presented to the Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education for approval

Currently, the school sites of American Legion High School, C.K. McClatchy High School, Hiram Johnson High School, John F. Kennedy High School, Luther Burbank High School, Rosemont High School and The Met High School, have identified these students with disabilities who have met all prescribed requirements and are eligible for the CAHSEE waiver.

**Financial Considerations:** NA

**Documents Attached:**

1. Executive Summary
2. CAHSEE Waiver Requests

**Estimated Time of Presentation:** N/A

**Submitted by:** Teresa Cummings, Ph. D., Chief Accountability Officer  
Becky Bryant, Director of Special Education Department  
Melody Hartman-Palmero, Coordinator, Assessment,  
Research and Evaluation Department

**Approved by:** Sara Noguchi, Ed. D., Interim Superintendent

# Board of Education Executive Summary

## Accountability Office and Special Education

Approve California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) Waiver for Graduation 2014

June 05, 2014



### I. Overview/History of Department or Program

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### II. Driving Governance:

Pillar I (College and Career Ready Students: Provide students with a relevant and rigorous education that includes exploration of 21<sup>st</sup> Century career options and meets A-G requirements): Education Code 60851, Board Policy 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements allows that California will only permit students with disabilities who have passed the CAHSEE with modifications as identified in their IEP to meet the graduation requirements after local board approval of school site waiver requests.

### III. Budget:

NA

### IV. Goals, Objectives and Measures:

Grant CAHSEE Waivers for eleven students to graduate 2014.

## **Board of Education Executive Summary**

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#### **V. Major Initiatives:**

Special Education is provided to students who meet eligibility criteria. These students receive specialized academic instruction and related services designed to meet their special education needs, as recommended in their Individualized Education Program (IEP). Special Education services such as use of modifications for assessments are provided only after all resources of the general education program have been considered and utilized.

#### **VI. Results:**

Eleven students with IEPs who passed the CAHSEE using modifications will be able to graduate in 2014.

#### **VII. Lessons Learned/Next Steps:**

Continue with Waiver process as allowed by California Department of Education through the 2014-15 year.



# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT CAHSEE WAIVER ATTACHMENTS



ATTACHMENT A

## CAHSEE WAIVER REQUEST COVER SHEET

School: American Legion High School

CDS Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal: Stanley Echols

Phone: 916-277-6600

Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Completing Form: Melody Hartman-Palmero

Phone: 916-643-9056

Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_

### LEGAL CRITERIA

**Authority for the Waiver:** Specific Code Section: E.C. 56101

...the waiver is necessary or beneficial to the content and Implementation of the pupil's Individualized education program...

**Education Code or California Code of Regulations to be Waived:**

**Education Code Section 60851(a)** provides that "Commencing with the 2003-04 school year and each school year thereafter, each pupil completing grade 12 shall successfully pass the exit examination as a condition of receiving a diploma of graduation or a condition of graduation from high school."

**Desired Outcome:** Waiver of the requirement to "successful passage of the CAHSEE," for the specified students listed below:

Student ID Number	Date of Birth	Documents Included (Check that each student has all the required documents.)		
		CAHSEE Report(s)	Attachment C	Attachment D
1. 60760436		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. 60703745		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I hereby certify that the information provided on the CAHSEE waiver requests is correct and complete.

Principal's Signature

Print Principal Name  
Stanley Echols

Date  
May 29, 2014

### For Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education Use Only

☐ Approved:

☐ Denied:

(Please Initial)

(Please Initial)

Reason For Denial: \_\_\_\_\_

Board Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

SCUSD Board of Education President \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT CAHSEE WAIVER ATTACHMENTS



ATTACHMENT A

**CAHSEE WAIVER REQUEST COVER SHEET**

School: C.K. McClatchy High School CDS Code: 3435419  
Principal: Peter Lambert Phone: (916) 264-4400 Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Person Completing Form: Jim Hays Phone: (916) 264-4400 Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_

**LEGAL CRITERIA****Authority for the Waiver:** Specific Code Section: E.C. 56101

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**Education Code or California Code of Regulations to be Waived:**

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**Desired Outcome:** Waiver of the requirement to "successful passage of the CAHSEE," for the specified students listed below:

Student ID Number	Date of Birth	Documents Included (Check that each student has all the required documents.)		
		CAHSEE Report(s)	Attachment C	Attachment D
1. <u>60707977</u>	<u>7/16/96</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. <u>60778351</u>	<u>11/30/46</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. <u>60706886</u>	<u>7/12/96</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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*I hereby certify that the information provided on the CAHSEE waiver requests is correct and complete.*

Principal's Signature

Print Principal Name

Peter Lambert

Date

5/21/14**For Sacramento City Unified School District Board of Education Use Only**

☐ Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Denied: \_\_\_\_\_ Reason For Denial: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Initial) (Please Initial)

Board Authorized Signature:

SCUSD Board of Education President

Date

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# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT CAHSEE WAIVER ATTACHMENTS



ATTACHMENT A

## CAHSEE WAIVER REQUEST COVER SHEET

School: Hiram Johnson

CDS Code: 052717

Principal: Felisberto Cedras

Phone: (916) 277-6300 Ext.: 1010

Person Completing Form: Lilia Ibarra Pellegri

Phone: (916) 277-6300 Ext.: 1015

### LEGAL CRITERIA

**Authority for the Waiver:** Specific Code Section: E.C. 56101

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**Education Code or California Code of Regulations to be Waived:**

**Education Code Section 60851(a)** provides that "Commencing with the 2003-04 school year and each school year thereafter, each pupil completing grade 12 shall successfully pass the exit examination as a condition of receiving a diploma of graduation or a condition of graduation from high school."

**Desired Outcome:** Waiver of the requirement to "successful passage of the CAHSEE," for the specified students listed below:

Student ID Number	Date of Birth	Documents Included (Check that each student has all the required documents.)		
		CAHSEE Report(s)	Attachment C	Attachment D
1. <u>60704155</u>	<u>6/20/96</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I hereby certify that the information provided on the CAHSEE waiver requests is correct and complete.

Principal's Signature <u>Felisberto Cedras</u>	Print Principal Name <u>Felisberto Cedras</u>	Date <u>5/20/14</u>
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Board Authorized Signature: _____ SCUSD Board of Education President		Date: _____

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CAHSEE WAIVER ATTACHMENTS



ATTACHMENT A

CAHSEE WAIVER REQUEST COVER SHEET

School: Luther Burbank High School

CDS Code: 34-67439-12345

Principal: Ted Appel

Phone: 916-433-5100

Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_

Person Completing Form: Jim Peterson (AP)

Phone: 916-433-5100

Ext.: 1068

**LEGAL CRITERIA**

**Authority for the Waiver:** Specific Code Section: E.C. 56101

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**Education Code or California Code of Regulations to be Waived:**

**Education Code Section 60851(a)** provides that "Commencing with the 2003-04 school year and each school year thereafter, each pupil completing grade 12 shall successfully pass the exit examination as a condition of receiving a diploma of graduation or a condition of graduation from high school."

**Desired Outcome:** Waiver of the requirement to "successful passage of the CAHSEE," for the specified students listed below:

Student ID Number	Date of Birth	Documents Included (Check that each student has all the required documents.)		
		CAHSEE Report(s)	Attachment C	Attachment D
1. 60708638	8/29/1996	X	X	X
2. 60762700	2/20/1996	X	X	X
3. 60702594	5/13/1996	X	X	X
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I hereby certify that the information provided on the CAHSEE waiver requests is correct and complete.

Principal's Signature

Print Principal Name  
Ted Appel

Date  
5/16/14

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Board Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

SCUSD Board of Education President \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT CAHSEE WAIVER ATTACHMENTS



ATTACHMENT A

## CAHSEE WAIVER REQUEST COVER SHEET

School: Rosemont High School CDS Code: 0101972  
Principal: Leise Martinez Phone: 916-228-5844 Ext.: 1010  
Person Completing Form: Melody Hartman-Palmero Phone: 916-643-9056 Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_

### LEGAL CRITERIA

**Authority for the Waiver:** Specific Code Section: E.C. 56101

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**Desired Outcome:** Waiver of the requirement to "successful passage of the CAHSEE," for the specified students listed below:

Student ID Number	Date of Birth	Documents included (Check that each student has all the required documents.)		
		CAHSEE Report(s)	Attachment C	Attachment D
1. 60733457	10/15/1996	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I hereby certify that the information provided on the CAHSEE waiver requests is correct and complete.

Principal's Signature

Print Principal Name  
Leise Martinez

Date  
May 28, 2014

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Board Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

SCUSD Board of Education President

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT CAHSEE WAIVER ATTACHMENTS



ATTACHMENT A

## CAHSEE WAIVER REQUEST COVER SHEET

School: The Mt Sacramento  
Principal: Vince Wolfe  
Person Completing Form: Scott Ford

34-67439-0101907  
CDS Code: 0000  
Phone: 916/395-5417 Ext.:   
Phone: 916/395-5417 Ext.:

### LEGAL CRITERIA

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1. <u>60916233</u>	<u>8/30/96</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I hereby certify that the information provided on the CAHSEE waiver requests is correct and complete.

Principal's Signature

Print Principal Name

Vince Wolfe

Date

5/8/2014

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Board Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

SCUSD Board of Education President

Date \_\_\_\_\_