

**Coalition for Students with Disabilities****Public comments for Sept. 17, 2020 SCUSD Board of Education meeting*****Item 11.1 Enrollment and Attendance Reports***

Joint public comment on behalf of the Coalition for Students with Disabilities, by Angie Sutherland, Angel Garcia, Sarah Williams Kingsley, and Renee Webster-Hawkins (sharing our time)

Thank you for including the Enrollment and Attendance Reports for April and May 2020. Last Spring during the Distance Learning Updates to the Board, staff provided information about how it was tracking student attendance and engagement and how it defined “zero-engagement.” A significantly disproportionate number of those “zero-engagement” students were students with disabilities. Other LCFF student groups were also absent or unreachable. The District’s Return to Learning plan indicates that attendance will be monitored through multiple measures this Fall to improve each school’s ability to keep at-risk students engaged and connected. The Coalition for Students with Disabilities asks that you amend the monthly attendance report to include data collected through the multiple measures. And we further request that the data is disaggregated to reflect the attendance and engagement of students in the LCFF student groups PLUS students with disabilities. The community deserves to know that it can expect these monthly reports, so that the District’s efforts to keep students engaged and learning during the pandemic are transparent.