LOS ANGELES COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

April 16, 2024

APPROVED: DD:br

Board Meeting – April 16, 2024

Item VI. Consent Calendar Recommendations

B. Adoption of Board Resolution No. 48 to Recognize May 19-25, 2024 as Classified School Employees Week in Los Angeles County

The Superintendent recommends that the County Board adopt Resolution No. 48 as part of the regular County Board meeting on April 16, 2024; and further recommends that the Board urge all certificated staff at the Los Angeles County Office of Education and across Los Angeles County, to recognize classified employees as full partners in education and to applaud their hard work and dedication.

Resolution No. 48 is attached.

Next Steps:

- Send out LACOE Communication to the 80 districts to encourage districts, schools and community organizations to acknowledge the contributions of Classified School Employees during the week of May 19-25, 2024.
- LACOE will engage in a social media campaign to promote and bring awareness of the contributions of Classified Employees.
- Encourage LACOE site administrators to facilitate activities and/or acknowledgements to honor Classified Employees assigned to their sites.
- LACOE wide message from the Superintendent to acknowledge the contributions of Classified School Employees at LACOE and throughout Los Angeles County.

BOARD RESOLUTION

NO. 48: 2023-24

Classified School Employee Week, May 19-25, 2024

- WHEREAS the work of classified school employees throughout Los Angeles County from transporting and feeding students to teaching them vital skills and ensuring that schools are operating smoothly is integral to the success of students and public education; and
- WHEREAS classified employees have stepped up to the challenges presented by the global COVID-19 pandemic and have proven to be essential workers, tirelessly serving our students and schools during this unprecedented time; and
- **WHEREAS** the efforts of the Los Angeles County Office of Education's classified staff are fundamental to the successful operations of the Office's programs and services, and should be publicly recognized; and
- WHEREAS classified employees of the Los Angeles County Office of Education perform a great variety of skilled occupations at the Education Centers and at school sites throughout the county; and
- WHEREAS classified employees ably represent the Los Angeles County Office of Education as they apply their knowledge and skills in providing the Office's programs and services to the many populations we serve, including parents and community members; and
- **WHEREAS** staff members from districts throughout Los Angeles County call upon the Office's resourceful classified employees on a daily basis to provide essential information and services; and
- WHEREAS classified employees, who are represented by the California School Employees Association (CSEA) and the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), deserve special recognition for their innumerable contributions to public education in Los Angeles County; and
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Los Angeles County Board of Education proclaims the week of May 19-25, 2024, to be Classified School Employee Week, celebrating the theme, *Classified Professionals: Indispensable, Inspiring & Invincible*; and
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Board urges its members and all certificated staff at the Los Angeles County Office of Education and across Los Angeles County to recognize classified employees as full partners in education and to applaud their hard work and dedication.
- **ADOPTED** this 16th day of April 2024 by the Los Angeles County Board of Education in Downey, California

Debra Duardo, M.S.W., Ed.D. Superintendent

Yvonne Chan, Ed.D. Board President