



SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 9.3

Meeting Date : October 3, 2024

Subject : Latinx and Hispanic Heritage Recognition (September 15 -October 15)

- X Information Item Only
 - Approval on Consent Agenda
 - Conference (for discussion only)
 - Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: _____)
 - Conference/Action
 - Action
 - Public Hearing

Division : Multilingual Literacy Department

Recommendation : Information only

Background/Rationale : Latinx and Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated in the United States from September 15 to October 15 each year. This observance recognizes the contributions, culture, and history of individuals with Latin American and Hispanic heritage.

The observance began in 1968, established by President Lyndon B. Johnson, and was expanded to a month-long celebration in 1988 by President Ronald Reagan. The dates were chosen to coincide with the independence of several Latin American countries, including Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Mexico.

By fostering awareness and education, this observance helps combat stereotypes and misconceptions about Latinx and Hispanic communities, promoting respectful understanding. It serves as a platform for advocacy, encouraging discussions about social justice issues and the challenges faced by these communities. Finally, this month provides opportunities for people to come together to celebrate their heritage and support one another, fostering solidarity and unity among diverse groups.

Financial Considerations :
Certificates

LCAP Goal(s) :

Goal 4: Maintain Safe Learning Environments & Dismantle Inequities

Goal 5: Engage Educational Partners in Improving and Enhancing the District

Documents Attached: N/A

Estimated Time of Presentation : 20 minutes

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