

Whereas, Westminster Public Schools is dedicated to providing a rigorous and meaningful education to all District children to prepare them to be active, engaged and productive members of our society; and

Whereas, the District is committed to supporting all District students and families regardless of immigration status; and

Whereas, the District deeply values its relationships with the community, District families, District employees and our community partners; and

Whereas, approximately eight percent of children under sixteen years of age in Colorado are undocumented immigrants, and even more children live with a family member who is an undocumented immigrant; and

Whereas, the District believes that immigrants, whether documented or undocumented, should be able to learn, work and be productive members of our community and should be entitled to hold professional licenses; and

Whereas, the Colorado legislature passed legislation prohibiting undocumented immigrants from holding professional licenses; and

Whereas, District students are able to participate in District programs that should result in professional licensure, such as early childhood education, but are ineligible to secure such a license due to barriers in state law based on immigration status; and

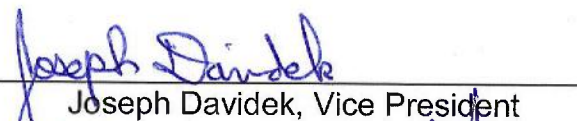
Whereas, children suffer when families in our community are unable to participate fully in Colorado's economy and to access important state and local benefits, including loans, grants, contracts, food and housing assistance, energy assistance, and others.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the District is committed to protecting our students, regardless of immigration status, including but not limited to the following actions:


1. Advocating for withdrawal of anti-immigrant laws and legislation;
2. Supporting legislation, such as SB21-199, that permits families and children to access essential services and to receive licensure when students earn the necessary credentials; and
3. Continuing to implement practices to make students and families safe at school, by not collecting or maintaining any information about our students' and families' immigration status.

DATED AND SIGNED by the Directors of the Westminster Public Schools
this 27 day of April 2021

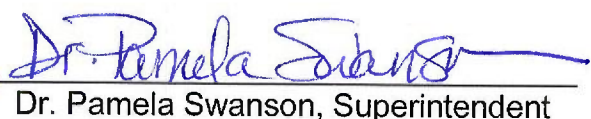

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