

Sacramento City Unified School District
Special Board of Education Meeting

March 25, 2021 Public Comments

Name:	Amanda Connolly
Comment:	Our leadership, district and labor, cannot sit by and pat themselves on the back for an agreement that should have been signed months ago. The district and the SCTA must reach an agreement for full-time, in classroom instruction this coming fall; before enrollment erodes further. If I can get my children into a definite, full-time schooling situation before you have an agreement signed, there will be two more students' worth of funding you will lose. But as long as my taxes fund this district and all of its staff, you will continue to hear from me.

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Name:	Sarah Allred
Comment:	Please consider the most current CDC guidance before codifying the MOU. The MOU should not be based on old data/guidance moving forward. Many schools in the surrounding area are using the most current CDC guidance. Teachers have been vaccinated (or have had the opportunity), and government resources have been made available to help prepare for safe reopening. Children are continuing to suffer from lack of school reopening. Two days per week for three hours with concurrent in-person and distance learning is needlessly burdensome for all. We very much need 5days per week of in person school, and there are ample examples of this being carried out safely/successfully locally and nationally.

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Name:	Lisa Lindberg
Comment:	<p>Hello my name is Lisa Lindberg. I am a parent of 3 children in Sac Unified: 3rd, 6th, and 8th. I am urging the board to reject any 6-foot spacing requirements. Six foot spacing will not allow the children to return to school 5 days/full time now or in the fall. This is also an arbitrary rule since the CDC and California Dept of Public Health have revised distancing requirements to 3 feet. While we have made progress on getting schools open, we are not yet there, and a 6-foot spacing agreement will create huge barriers on returning kids to classrooms. SCUSD and the board should not agree to a 6-foot distance proposed by SCTA.</p> <p>The California constitution requires in person learning to the greatest extent possible. Setting an arbitrary rule that kids need to be 6 feet apart does not show the greatest extent possible. These arbitrary rules keep children out of school. It appears this rule is catering to the adults and not the children, who have no voice, but they do have a constitutional right to in person learning. Please up-hold their right and reject a 6-foot requirement.</p> <p>As a scientist I have read many scientific studies regarding COVID spread and one of these studies particularly in Wisconsin clearly shows minimal spread of COVID-19 using 3 foot spacing with proper masking. This was demonstrated even during high rates of community spread, and spread at schools was minimal, and spread student to teacher was even more minimal. There are plenty of safeguards to keep students and teachers safe, but 6-foot distancing is not one of them. Please up-hold our children's constitutional rights by not agreeing or setting arbitrary rules. Please have a special board meeting to Open Sac City Schools 5 days per week and full time.</p>

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Name:	Julia OBrien
Comment:	As a parent of 3 elementary school children in the SCUSD, I could not be more insistent that our schools adopt the current CDC guidelines of 3 foot spacing and reopen our schools to 5 day, full-time instruction. The time is now!!

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