

ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
9510 Elk Grove-Florin Road
Elk Grove, California 95624

NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH
RESOLUTION NO. 69, 2021-2022

Declaring May as *National Foster Care Month* in the
ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, *during the month of May, we honor the contributions of our local resource and kinship families, educators, community partners, and service providers who contribute to the stability, educational achievement and emotional and physical well-being of youth in foster care, and support birth parents so that they may safely reunite with their families whenever possible; and*

WHEREAS, *during National Foster Care Month, the Elk Grove Unified School District celebrates youth in foster care and all of their accomplishments, and aims to raise awareness of their needs and strengths; and*

WHEREAS, *the Elk Grove Unified School District recognizes that the exposure to trauma can affect learning and behavior, and in response provides district and school-wide professional development on the effects of complex trauma and how to create trauma informed learning environments; and*

WHEREAS, *the Elk Grove Unified School District's Foster Youth Services program provides direct and coordinated services to children and youth in foster care through tutoring, credit recovery, school enrollment/re-entry support, post-secondary and independent living planning, case management, advocacy, and interagency collaboration for youth in foster care; and*

WHEREAS, *Elk Grove Unified School District Foster Youth Services program, in collaboration with Elk Grove Unified teachers, administrators, and other staff members, provides targeted programs and services for students in foster care that leverage their assets, affirm their identities, and address their needs to close achievement, opportunity, and relationship gaps; and*

WHEREAS, *Elk Grove Unified District staff members recognize the unique challenges faced by youth in foster care and are committed to increasing the level of awareness and improved outcomes by incorporating goals and supports specifically for students in foster care in the school site and district level Local Control Accountability Plans:*

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED *that the Elk Grove Unified School District Board of Education does hereby recognize the month of May as National Foster Care Month.*

CHRISTOPHER R. HOFFMAN, SUPERINTENDENT
And SECRETARY to the GOVERNING BOARD of
ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT