

WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



Resolution 44-26: Farm Workers Week – May 4-10, 2026

WHEREAS, there are approximately 2.6 million farm workers in the United States. Agriculture is a thriving industry that generates approximately \$9.5 trillion in economic impact and provides food for more than 342 million people in the United States and beyond; and

WHEREAS, farm workers are the critical first step in our nation's food supply chain and provide all Americans with access to safe, healthy, and affordable food; The contributions of farm workers are essential to the well-being, nutrition, and food security of our communities, yet their work often goes unseen and underrecognized; and

WHEREAS, farm workers perform highly skilled labor under physically and mentally demanding conditions, often facing extreme weather, health risks, and economic challenges. Farm workers have continued to meet and exceed the challenges of natural conditions, public health crises, including the pandemic, and other global challenges with resilience and dedication; and

WHEREAS, the need for farm workers continues to grow as the United States works to meet the demands of an increasing global population; and

WHEREAS, this Board honors the contributions, resilience, and cultural and economic impact of farm workers and their families and asks educational institutions and community organizations to play a key role in raising awareness and supporting the success and well-being of farm worker families; and

WHEREAS, California farm workers have historically and currently face systematic discrimination from Agricultural growers: including labor law violations, sexual harassment in the fields, disability discrimination, the use of threatened deportation, and discrimination based on race, national origin, and language; and

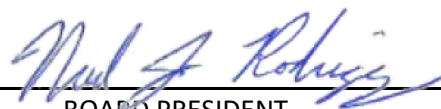
WHEREAS, thanks to the United Farm Worker movement, significant strides were made in securing rights and improving conditions for agricultural laborers, including higher wages, safer working conditions, and the elimination of the dangerous short handled hoe; and

WHEREAS, the work of the California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation (CRLAF), the United Farm Worker (UFW) and the Royal Chicano Air Force (RCAF) increased visibility for farm worker issues, inspiring continued advocacy for farm workers' dignity; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Woodland Joint Unified School District hereby recognizes May 4-10, 2026, as **Farm Workers Week**; and encourages students, staff, and community members to acknowledge and honor the invaluable contributions of farm workers; and reaffirms its commitment to supporting the educational success, health, and well-being of farm worker families in our community, our state and the nation.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of April, 2026, by unanimous vote:


BOARD SECRETARY


BOARD PRESIDENT