

Memorandum of Understanding  
Between  
Sacramento City Unified School District (SCUSD)  
&  
Sacramento City Teachers Association (SCTA)

**Alternative to Mandated Assessments for the 2020-2021 School Year  
May 7, 2021**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is between the Sacramento City Unified School District (“District” or “SCUSD”) and the Sacramento City Teachers Association (“SCTA”), collectively “the Parties”, regarding the use of local assessments in place of the State-Mandated Smarter Balanced Assessment (“SBAC”) pursuant to the State of California’s waiver for the 2020-2021 school year as set out below.

**Section I: State Waiver**

The State Board of Education (SBE) approved a waiver to the U.S. Department of Education allowing districts to administer local assessments in lieu of the SBAC during the 2020-2021 school year. Districts may only administer local assessments in lieu of SBAC during the 2020-2021 school year if they meet the following conditions: are aligned with the Common Core State Standards in ELA and Math; are available to assess students in grades 3-8 and 11; are uniformly administered across the selected grade level; and provide results that can be reported to parents, guardians, and educators about individual students and to the public by school and by district and disaggregated by student group.

The District and SCTA agree that using an alternative to the SBAC assessment in the 2020-2021 school year is in the best interest of District students.

**Section II: 2020-2021 Mandated Assessments Plan**

The District will administer the following assessments for the 2020-2021 school year in the place of the SBAC:


- i-Ready for Math for students in grades 3, 4, and 5 and the Math Diagnostic Testing Project (MDTP) for students in grade 6
- i-Ready for English Language Arts (ELA) for students in grades 3, 4, 5, and 6
- MDTP for Math for students in grades 7, 8 and 11
- District 2020-2021 ELA End of Year (EOY) Interim Assessments for English Language Arts (ELA) for students in grades 7, 8, and 11.
- Using i-Ready Diagnostic for English Learner Reclassification for non-SBAC assessed grade levels (K, 1, 2)

- District 2020-2021 ELA End of Year (EOY) Interim Assessments for English Language Arts (ELA) for English Learner Reclassification for non-SBAC assessed grade levels (9 and 10)
- Consistent with the SBAC, the ELA End of the Year (EOY) Interim Assessments for Grades 7-11, shall not require hand-scoring by bargaining unit members.

**Section III: Non-precedent Setting:** This Agreement is limited specifically to student assessments for the 2020-2021 school year and is non-precedent setting. As such, this Agreement shall have no bearing on any future decisions relating to the parties' "Assessments Committee" and the selection of District common assessments for the 2021-2022 school year and future years.

**Section IV: Expiration Date:** This Agreement shall expire in full without precedent on the last day of the 2020-2021 traditional school year.

**For the District:**

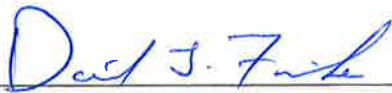


Superintendent

Jorge A. Aguilar

Date: 5/10/21

**For SCTA:**



President

David Fisher

Date: 5/10/21