

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

Resolution Establishing an Orange County Board of Education Professional Development
Program and/or Board Continuing Education Fund

OCTOBER 5, 2022

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education is a service agency committed to supporting Orange County school districts and students; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the Orange County Board of Education is to ensure all students' success through extraordinary service, governance and boardsmanship; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education values community input and is uniquely situated to identify emerging educational needs and inform the public on sound educational programs; and

WHEREAS, within the established statutory authority and responsibilities, the Orange County Board of Education's leadership role is expressed in the identification and modeling of appropriate methods, technologies, and practices; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education recognizes and affirms that effective County boards ensure high academic standards, transparency, accountability and compliance; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education has the statutory authority to adopt, evaluate and update policies consistent with California law and the Orange County Board of Education's vision and goals;¹ and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education has broad authority to carry out activities that are not in conflict with, inconsistent with, or preempted by law and which is not conflict with the purpose for which the County Board established;² and

WHEREAS, California Education Code section 1042 provides: "County Boards of Education may do the following: (a) adopt rules and regulations governing the administration of the office of the County Superintendent of Schools; and

WHEREAS, California Education Code section 1621(c) provides that the annual budget, "may contain a fund balance designated for any specific purpose as determined by the County

¹ Education Code §1040 provides: "County boards of education shall: "County boards of education shall (a) Adopt rules and regulations not inconsistent with the laws of the state, for their own government."

² See Education Code §35160, 35160.1, 35160.2, 35161.

Board of Education. Those funds shall be available for appropriation by majority vote of the County Board of Education"; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education finds that professional development programs and/or continuing education of county board members is integral for the Orange County Board of Education to successfully fulfill its mission, goals, and responsibilities;

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education finds that professional development programs and/or continuing education of county board members is an investment in, and contributes to student success; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education finds that the dedication of resources to professional development programs and/or continuing education of county board members is necessary for the effectiveness of individual Board members, and the collective board;

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education finds that professional development programs and/or continuing education of county board members should focus to enhance county board members' knowledge and effectiveness in the areas of:

1. Governance and boardsmanship;
2. Board ethics;
3. State and federal legislation, and case law that affect the operation of County boards and local school districts; and
4. New educational reform initiatives and research-based instructional strategies that enhance student achievement.

WHEREAS, the Orange County Board of Education is committed to planning and programming its own professional development programs and/or continuing education for continued improvement.

THEREFORE, THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. Pursuant to Education Code section 1621(c), the Orange County Board of Education shall establish a professional development program and/or county board continuing education fund.
2. Passage of this resolution by majority vote shall constitute the majority vote required to make funds available for the specific purpose of establishing a professional development program and/or county board continuing education fund.

