



**Santa Barbara  
SCHOOL DISTRICTS**

**Section 1  
01/15/10 Board Brief**

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January 5, 2009

To: Board of Education

From: J. Brian Sarvis, Superintendent

Re: Adoption of Resolution No. 2009/10-30 encouraging school participation in "2010 Census in Schools Week"

**Background**

The decennial U.S. Census, mandated by the U.S. Constitution, is coming up in March-April. Census data are used to distribute Congressional seats to states, to make decisions about what community services to provide, and to distribute \$400 billion in federal funds to local, state, and tribal governments each year. School districts are being encouraged to support efforts to obtain a complete and accurate census count in order to garner much-needed resources for our state.

The County of Santa Barbara Planning and Development Office of Long Range Planning is encouraging schools to support local, state, and federal efforts to gather an accurate census count by helping get the word out about the census.

California School Board Association provides a "2010 Census in Schools Week" sample resolution (attached). If the board agrees to support the resolution, a list of resources for schools will be provided to all principals.

**Cost**

Not applicable

**Recommendation**

It is recommended that the board of education adopt Resolution No. 2009/10-30 encouraging school participation in "2010 Census in Schools Week."

<b>Attachment(s)?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>Yes</b> (if so, please attach)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Powerpoint</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Overhead</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Consultant</i>
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Adams Elementary School Cesar Chavez Charter School Cleveland Elementary School Franklin Elementary School Harding Elementary School	McKinley Elementary School Monroe Elementary School Open Alternative School Peabody Charter School	Roosevelt Elementary School Santa Barbara Charter School Santa Barbara Community Academy Washington Elementary School	Goleta Valley Junior High School La Colina Junior High School La Cumbre Junior High School Santa Barbara Junior High School	Dos Pueblos High School La Cuesta Continuation High School San Marcos High School Santa Barbara High School Home School Santa Barbara
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**RESOLUTION NO. 2009/10-30**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE  
SANTA BARBARA SCHOOL DISTRICTS ENCOURAGING PARTICIPATION IN  
"2010 CENSUS IN SCHOOLS WEEK"**

**WHEREAS**, the decennial census takes place every 10 years to count the residents of each state and help identify where to allocate over \$400 billion in federal funds to states; and

**WHEREAS**, to ensure fair Congressional representation by determining how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, as well as the redistricting of state legislatures, county boards of supervisors and city councils, and voting districts; and

**WHEREAS**, an accurate census count is critical to the well-being of every community in determining where services are most needed, and to provide important federal and state funds for school districts; and

**WHEREAS**, it is vital for all local superintendents, principals, teachers and parent organizations to relay the importance of the census to families and community members to ensure everyone is counted, therefore maximizing political representation and funding appropriations within our school district and county; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Barbara School Districts requests schools to dedicate a week during January 2010 through March 2010 as "Census in Schools Week," to help reinforce the importance of participation in the census; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Barbara School Districts will disseminate outreach strategies schools can incorporate to ensure the census has the most complete and accurate count of the school's surrounding residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Santa Barbara School Districts supports the goals and ideals for the 2010 census and will lend its support to the education community in being responsive to federal and state census liaisons;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Santa Barbara School Districts recognizes the long-term effects of an accurate and complete census count for garnering much-needed resources for our state; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that we stand with all school districts and county offices of education to support census week activities and be counted on the official census day of April 1, 2010.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education of the Santa Barbara School Districts on January 26, 2010, by the following vote:

AYES: / NOES: / ABSENT: / ABSTAIN:

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President, Board of Education  
Santa Barbara School Districts

ATTEST:

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Clerk, Board of Education  
Santa Barbara School Districts