

Second Reading

Subject: Resolution No. 1311-12A1

**In Support of Increased Access to Afterschool Programs for All Students
in San Francisco Unified School District Schools**

- Commissioner Jill Wynn

WHEREAS: The San Francisco Unified School District is committed to increasing access to after school programs for all of our students; and

WHEREAS: The voters of San Francisco have made a commitment to increasing the availability of services for children, youth and their families, including after school programs, through the Children's Fund; and

WHEREAS: The Department of Children, Youth and Their Families has supported increased alignment and coordination of after school programs by creating and facilitating the Afterschool for All Advisory Council, now re-named the Expanded Learning Collaborative; and

WHEREAS: SFUSD has recently limited transportation to off-site afterschool programs as part of the budget-driven district-wide reduction in transportation; and

WHEREAS: There is currently limited capacity for families to have access to after school placements in their own children's schools, resulting in many school-based after school programs having waiting lists; and

WHEREAS: Studies suggest that unsupervised students in our communities in the afternoon are more likely to become involved in unhealthy activities; and

WHEREAS: Research demonstrates that high quality afterschool programs provide valuable learning experiences that reinforce school day learning and enhance school success, particularly in terms of increasing school attendance, connectedness to school, and accelerating redesignation rates for English learners, in addition to fostering positive socio-emotional skills that are critical for children and youth to thrive; and

WHEREAS: The SF Expanded Learning Collaborative has adopted a citywide definition (which is also used statewide) of quality for afterschool and summer programs that includes elements of program assessment and design; program administration and finance; community partnerships and collaborations; alignment and linkage with the school day; program and environment safety; youth development; family involvement; staff recruitment and professional development; nutrition and physical activity; promoting diversity, equity, access and inclusion; and effectively supporting English language learners; and

WHEREAS: The opportunity to maximize the educational value and alignment with school instructional programming of after school learning will be enhanced if more students can go to after school programs that are located in their own schools; and

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WHEREAS: Various current funding sources for after-school programs have different eligibility and application requirements, and there is no uniform application process for SFUSD students; and

WHEREAS: The Department of Children, Youth and Their Families has made a commitment to work collaboratively on efforts to make after school programming at a student's own public school available to every SFUSD student; and

WHEREAS: Students and their families will have increased access to support services that can be located on school sites during after school hours if more SFUSD students attend afterschool programs on their own school sites.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Education of the San Francisco Unified School District declares that it is the policy of the SFUSD that, if it is the desire of their family, every SFUSD K-5 student should be able to go to an after school program located in their own school and aligned with their school program; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That SFUSD staff will develop a single, on-line application for after-school programs on school sites in SFUSD, including the collection of information on the school assignment application, while exploring with DCYF the possibility of city-funded after school programs using the same application; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a plan will be developed to make all information about subsidies, scholarships and various sources of funding available to parents, schools and after-school providers through a collaboratively developed comprehensive information source; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That a plan to create a district-wide approach to equitable family co-payments for afterschool programs and an accompanying on-line payment system will be developed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a policy on shared classroom space, including lockable storage capacity and site support resources will be developed in consultation with site administrators, teachers and after school providers including a cost-efficient approach to custodial costs related to using SFUSD school sites for afterschool programming; and

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FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That plans for the placement of multiple after school programs in the same school site, including locating of programs in a single, consolidated area of the school in order to minimize support and management challenges including custodial services and security will be developed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That plans be developed to include space and access for agencies that serve children and their families to be able to provide those services on school sites during the operation of after school programs; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That the SFUSD will develop quality afterschool guidelines and requirements to ensure that district and non-district entities provide quality afterschool programs that are compliant with local, state and federal funding sources; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the SFUSD will explore the possibility of changing school start times to better align with standard after school programs and work toward the coordination of after school programs around the city; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That the Superintendent's staff will bring a progress report, including efforts made over the last five years to the Board of Education by April 30, 2014 and present a timeline for implementing new structures and systems for this After School for All Initiative to begin in the 2014-15 school year.

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Please Note:

- Referred on 11/12/13 by order of the Chair to the Budget and Business Services and Curriculum and Program Committees.
- Taken up by the Budget and Business Services Committee on 12/11/13. Forwarded to the Board with a positive recommendation, based on budget analysis & summary discussed at this meeting, by general consent of the Committee.