


# RED RIBBON WEEK
**October 23– October 31, 2021**

## Resolution 21-39

WHEREAS, the San Leandro Unified School District cares about the health, safety, and well being of its students and staff and

WHEREAS, communities across our nation have been plagued by the numerous problems associated with alcohol and other substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, alcohol and other substance abuse in our own community takes a terrible toll on individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, alcohol and other substance abuse is particularly harmful to the young people of our community, and is among the leading causes of teenage accidents, homicides, and suicides, and

WHEREAS, it is essential that unified and consistent prevention efforts by schools and the various members of our community be continued to reduce the access and demand for harmful substances; and

WHEREAS, Red Ribbon Week, since its inception in 1985, has been a grassroots memorial to Special Agent Enrique Camarena of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration who was murdered during active duty; and

WHEREAS, Red Ribbon Week is a time to be thankful for all the lives that are not directly affected by alcohol and other substance abuse, a time to support those who struggle to overcome addiction, and a time to remember those we have lost in the fight against substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, San Leandro Unified School District's students, parents and legal guardians, faculty, staff members, and administrators can symbolically honor their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles by displaying red ribbons on their clothing and/or personal items, and encouraging a drug-free lifestyle during this week-long campaign:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the San Leandro Unified School District does hereby proclaim October 23rd through 31st, 2021, as "Red Ribbon Week" in our public schools, and encourages every member of our community to participate in drug abuse prevention education activities, making a unified statement that we are strongly committed to a drug abuse-free society.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the San Leandro Unified School District on the 12th of October 2021

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Secretary/Clerk of the Board of Education
San Leandro Unified School District
Alameda County, State of California