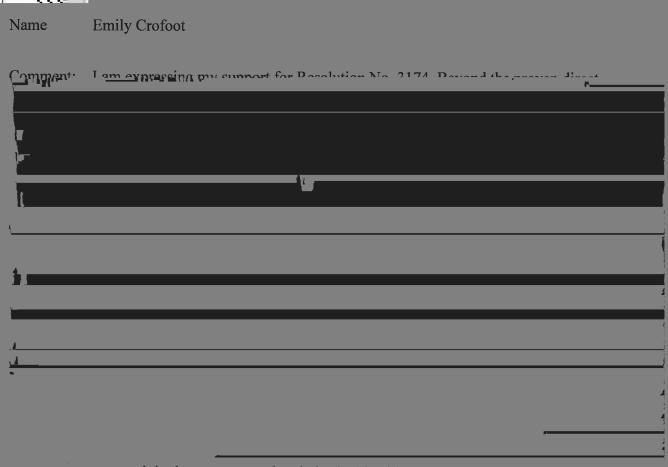
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connectivity between mental and physical health, it is absurd to expect students to arrive

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Name: Emelia-Rose Engel

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Name

Abby Morioka

Comment:

I support this resolution, as a student who suffers from anxiety and depression, mental health days are crucial to any student's success. For students who suffer from any mental illnesses, going to school can be a challenge in and of itself not even taking into consideration the piles of work that needs to be done. Mental health days create an opportunity for students to reset their mind and create long term success in their classes but also with facing their mental illnesses.

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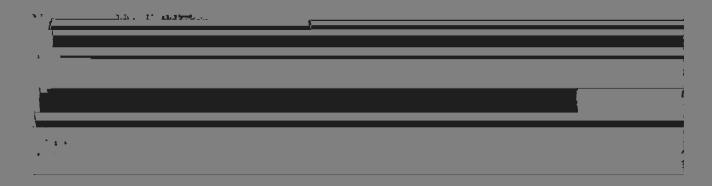
Name:	Eden Getahun
Comment:	As a mental health advocate, currently working with the Sacramento County Office of
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	Education and city council member Jay Schreiner to create a Youth Mental Health Advisory Board, it is important to understand that mental health is on par with physical health. Allowing students to excuse absences for physical illnesses but not mental wellness sends a signal that mental health just does not matter as much, a view that is very stigmatizing and makes students feel alone. Especially in the midst of a pandemic, which causes heightened anxiety and an overall sense of isolation, it is important for

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Name Sara Faraj



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Comment:

Expanding excused absences to include mental health commits SCUSD to the idea that so many other school districts have shifted to and so many mental health experts have been telling us for so long—that mental health is just as important as physical health. Personally, I am far more distracted in class and unable to get work done on a day when my anxiety is really acting up than on a day where I feel nauseous or otherwise sick. Good mental health is incredibly important to acknowledge and encourage students to maintain, especially during an international pandemic that is creating exponentially more stressors for students and families. Allowing students to have excused absences for mental health days would improve the attentiveness and willingness to learn of the

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Name:

Sierra Northcutt

Comment

Mental health goes hand in hand with your physical health so if you aren't feeling well mentally, your body will follow but only physical health can be excused . Schools shouldn't count attendances against you because you will not being preforming to your best abilities just as you wouldn't if you came to school sick trying to perform in p.e.

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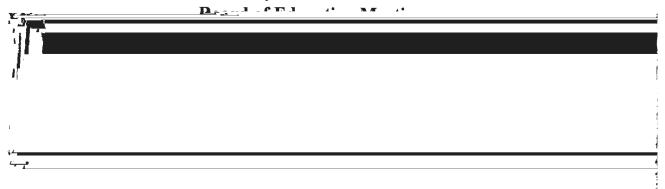


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school curriculum can be overwhelming, on top of what students may be facing at home,

some students have jobs, not to mention, trying to figure out who they are and what they

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