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Subject: Comment for Item #7
Date: Monday, January 25, 2021 9:21:10 PM

Sherry, Sukhi –

Please accept the following comment from Superintendent Nancy Magee in regards to Item #7 on the 1/26 BOS agenda.

Thank you!

-Linda

From: Nancy Magee <nmagee@smcoe.org>
Sent: Monday, January 25, 2021 8:57 PM
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Subject: Re: Update on Learning Hub Initiative

On behalf of County Superintendent Nancy Magee and leaders at the San Mateo County Office of Education, the San Mateo County Office of Education is both grateful and inspired by the Board's consideration of extended support for Learning Hubs for elementary students across San Mateo County. The COVID-19 pandemic has only exacerbated opportunity gaps for our students, but especially for those students with limited resources or additional learning needs. Throughout this pandemic, the Board of Supervisors has consistently demonstrated child-centered priorities including providing additional resources to address the digital divide and to support child care. When a community makes its children a top priority, the children, their families, and their communities all benefit, both in the short and long term.

As more and more schools return to in-person learning throughout the spring, nearly all schools will operate with some model of hybrid learning, where students attend school for part of the day or for alternating days or weeks. In the spaces in between, many students, especially those with urgent learning and/or social emotional needs, can greatly benefit from attending Learning Hubs. In these community spaces, students can engage with caring adults who are committed to students' wellbeing and success.

The Learning Hub proposal before the Board today, if approved, would provide a profound level of additional support that would help our students keep moving forward in their education and social development. The County Office of Education is firmly in support of and appreciative for this generous proposal that will enable communities all across San Mateo County to circle up around its children and provide critical supports in a most uncertain and challenging time in our community's history.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Nancy Magee
County Superintendent of Schools

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