

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF YOUTH VOTER REGISTRATION AND VOTING

WHEREAS the mission of Tucson Unified School District No. 1 is to prepare every student for success in college, career, and life; and

WHEREAS young people persistently lag behind the rest of the electorate in voter participation and registration; and

WHEREAS youth voters' share of the electorate plummeted to a mere 13 percent in 2014, a decline from 2012; and

WHEREAS providing youth the opportunity learn and participate in our democracy is a core function of public education; and

WHEREAS building a comprehensive program that integrates an annual voter registration drive into broader civics education promotes a civically active youth that is better prepared to enjoy the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Tucson Unified School District will work in partnership with nonprofit, nonpartisan, public interest community organizations that integrate ongoing, coordinated voter registration drives;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED encouraging all eligible TUSD students to register to vote and encouraging district staff to work with voter registration efforts designed to inform our students and provide information and access for voter registration.

Adopted this ____ day of May 2015.

Tucson Unified School District Governing Board

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