

**PROCLAIMING AUGUST 15 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15 AS EQUITY, DIVERSITY, &
INCLUSIVENESS MONTH IN TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Tucson Unified School District’s Equity, Diversity, & Inclusiveness Department partners with the City of Tucson to serve our students and families to the highest potential, ensuring the learning, development, and academic success for every student by eliminating the manifestations of racism, discrimination, and prejudice; and

WHEREAS, every student in the Tucson Unified School District inclusive of the City of Tucson is entitled to a high-quality public education, regardless of race, gender, zip code, ability, socio-economic status and/or language spoken at home; and

WHEREAS, the core values of diversity, equity, excellence, integrity, innovation, and a caring community drive our commitment to eliminating the opportunity gap for our students; and

WHEREAS, the Tucson Unified School District takes pride in recognizing August 15 to September 15 as Equity, Diversity, & Inclusiveness Month, celebrating our diverse students, their families, and community while acknowledging and working to remedy the struggles resulting from institutionally inequitable practices and policies at the local, state and national level; and

WHEREAS, Equity, Diversity, & Inclusiveness Month is a celebration of equity in Tucson Unified School District and provides an opportunity to highlight our education equity priorities, as well as the incredible work happening in schools across the district; and

WHEREAS, educational equity, diversity, and inclusiveness will only be achieved through the collaborative work of state and local policymakers and the dedication of district superintendents, school administrators, teachers, support staff, and community groups.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tucson Unified School District proclaims August 15th – September 15th to be EQUITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSIVENESS MONTH. The district shall encourage all staff, students, and parents of Tucson Unified School District to join the celebration.
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board this 24th of August, 2021.

Adelita S. Grijalva, President

Sadie Shaw, Clerk

Leila Counts, Member

Ravi Grivois-Shah, Member

Natalie Luna Rose, Member