

October 18, 2024

Joelle Gallagher, Chair
Napa County Board of Supervisors
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Dear Ms. Gallagher and Members of the Board:

In accordance with the Williams Settlement, the Napa County Office of Education is required to annually review schools that are identified as low performing pursuant to specified federal laws and schools where 15% or more of the teachers are holders of a permit, certificate, or any other authorization that is less certification than a preliminary or clear California teaching credential. For 2024-2025, five schools were identified for the County Williams Reviews: McPherson Elementary, Snow Elementary, American Canyon Middle, and Silverado Middle School in NVUSD and Stone Bridge Charter School.

On Thursday, September 5, 2024, Dr. Lucy Edwards, Chrissy Cotten, Dr. Cara Lester, Ron Eick, Kayla Mikkola and Greg Marshall from the Napa County Office of Education were accompanied by respective school leadership on the required site visits. The teams reviewed district and school documents and visited and inspected all the required school sites. The visits, as always, were collaborative and positive.

The purpose of the visits as specified in California Education Code Section 1240 was to ensure:

1. Students have access to “sufficient” instructional materials in four core subject areas of English/ language arts, mathematics, history/social science, science.
2. The school is in compliance with facilities maintenance to ensure that there are no “emergency or urgent threats to the health and safety of pupils or staff”.
3. The school has provided accurate data for the annual School Accountability Report Card (SARC) related to instructional materials and facilities maintenance.
4. Classrooms have a copy of the current Uniform Complaint Procedure displayed.

As per Williams requirements, 25% of classrooms were visited and all common areas, bathrooms, etc., were inspected. We are excited to report that there are no findings to report. All the schools had the four requisite core subject textbooks for students and the School Accountability Report Cards (SARCs) were checked and found to be compliant as well.

I would like to offer my congratulations to NVUSD’s Superintendent, Dr. Rosanna Mucetti, Executive Director Stone Bridge School, James Brown, and Director of Maintenance and Operations Albert DeSousa, Jr., for keeping all facilities in excellent condition. Credit also goes to NVUSD’s Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services, Dr. Monica Ready, for the instructional support

provided to schools. Last, but not least, I wish to acknowledge the site principals Dr. Martha Martin, McPherson Elementary, Jessica Mautner, Snow Elementary, Anne Vallerga, Silverado Middle, and Dr. Carliza Bataller, American Canyon Middle School for ensuring that students have the books and materials they need to be successful in school.

Sincerely,



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Napa County Superintendent of Schools