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STA & SUSD Joint Communique

Commitment to a Safe and Inclusive Environment in Stockton Unified School District

Dear Stockton Unified Community,

As we move forward together following this election season, we want to take a moment to reaffirm our shared commitment to the safety, well-being, and inclusivity of our entire school community. Stockton Unified School District and the Stockton Teachers Association stand united in our dedication to creating environments where every student, staff member, and family feels respected, valued, and safe.

Our commitment is guided by three of our core values of **Community, Optimism, and Safe Spaces for All**. We believe in the strength of community, the power of optimism, and the importance of maintaining safe spaces for all individuals in our schools. These values are central to our work, shaping an environment where students can explore their dreams, staff can inspire, and families can actively engage without fear or discrimination.

Our schools are more than just learning spaces; they are safe havens where every student, staff member, and family member is welcomed and supported. We pledge to foster an atmosphere of respect, belonging, and collaboration on every campus and district property. This commitment extends to all members of our community, regardless of background, identity, or circumstance.

As we continue to work together, we are grateful for the partnership and collaboration of each staff member, student, and family in Stockton Unified. Let us keep moving forward with a shared purpose and collective commitment: to ensure that our core values are felt in every corner of our district and that every individual feels welcome, secure, and able to thrive.

Thank you for your dedication to our students and for upholding these values every day.

In partnership,

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