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Re: First Quarterly *Williams* Review Report for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Dear President Kaplan and Superintendent Evans:

As a result of the *Williams* Settlement, Education Code section 1240 requires that county offices of education visit schools in their county that ranked in deciles 1 to 3 on the 2012 Base Academic Performance Index (API) (*Williams* schools). Education Code section 1240(c)(2)(G) requires the county superintendent of schools to send quarterly reports regarding the results of school site visits and reviews to the governing boards of the school districts with *Williams* schools. The results can then be made public at a regularly scheduled and noticed meeting of each district's governing board.

Sacramento County school districts continue to assume the extraordinary responsibility of educating students during the ongoing pandemic. School closures have required districts to educate students via distance learning, providing access to instructional materials for all their students, including those in their *Williams* schools.

This letter serves as the 2020-2021 First Quarterly Report for the Natomas Unified School District (District). A chart (Exhibit A) is enclosed that provides a breakdown of the information included in this report for each school reviewed in the District. A summary of that information is provided below.

### **Instructional Materials and Facilities**

During the first quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021, my staff remotely monitored the District's six *Williams* schools for the sufficiency of instructional materials. We provided your District with instructional materials review forms based upon SCOE's most recent list of your District's board-adopted instructional materials. The principal for each of your *Williams* schools verified that each school had sufficient materials and each student had equitable access to them. The results of these reviews are indicated in Exhibit A.

No Facility Inspections SCOE did not conduct any facility inspections during the first quarter because Senate Bill 820 waived the requirement for county offices of education to conduct *Williams* school site visits while students are in distance learning.

### **School Accountability Report Card**

During the quarter ending September 30, 2020, SCOE conducted no SARC reviews.

Please be reminded that pursuant to Education Code section 35256(c), the School Accountability Report Card (SARC) is required to be published by February 1 of each year. Therefore, SCOE will review the District's SARCs beginning in the third quarter of FY 2020-2021 to determine the accuracy of the District's reports regarding the availability of sufficient textbooks and instructional materials, and the safety, cleanliness, and adequacy of school facilities.

Because SCOE did not conduct facility reviews during the first quarter, your District will need to complete facility inspections for your *Williams* schools before preparing the SARCs. You may use the Office of Public School Construction Facility Inspection Tool (FIT), or a locally developed instrument meeting the same legal requirements, to determine whether each school's facilities are in "good repair" and to rate each facility.

### **Teacher Vacancies and Misassignments**

Legislation enacted in 2019 amended the monitoring requirements for teacher vacancies and misassignments. (Education Code section 44258.9.) The Commission on Teacher Credentialing's (CTC) new monitoring system (California Statewide Assignment Accountability System [CalSAAS]) has launched. Pursuant to Education Code section 44258.9, the final data for FY 2019-2020 generated by CalSAAS is "nonconsequential," and it is intended for informational purposes only. As such, SCOE has been reviewing the FY 2019-2020 data with districts and helping them become familiar with the database and the new monitoring process.

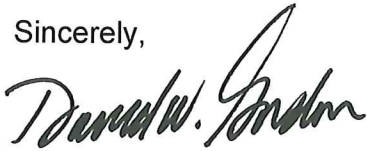
During the fourth quarter of FY 2020-2021, SCOE anticipates it will report on districts' teacher misassignments and vacancies for FY 2020-2021 utilizing CalSAAS.

**Uniform Complaints**

Finally, according to the District's report to SCOE, there were no complaints filed in the District under the Uniform Complaint Procedure in the first quarter.

We are looking forward to working with your District throughout the year. If you have any questions regarding the above report, please contact Samantha Ramsey, Associate General Counsel at (916) 228-2697 or by email at [sramsey@scoe.net](mailto:sramsey@scoe.net).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David W. Gordon". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial "D".

David W. Gordon  
Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools

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Enclosure



**EXHIBIT A**  
**Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools**  
**WILLIAMS SETTLEMENT LEGISLATION**  
**FIRST QUARTERLY REPORT FOR NATOMAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**2020-2021 FISCAL YEAR**

This report summarizes the results of the 2020-2021 *Williams* document reviews at decile 1, 2, and 3 schools (2012 Base Academic Performance Index) conducted in August-September 2020.

**INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS:**

Schools reported on whether students had access to instructional materials during distance learning and whether there were sufficient textbooks and instructional materials. “Sufficient textbooks and instructional materials” means each pupil, including English learners, has a standards-aligned textbook or instructional materials, or both, to use in class and to take home in the four core areas (including science laboratory equipment in grades 9-12) as well as, for middle and high school, in foreign language and health.

School Name	Submission Date	Access to Materials	Textbook/Instructional Materials Needed
American Lakes Elementary School	9/11/2020	Yes	Sufficient
Bannon Creek Elementary School	9/11/2020	Yes	Sufficient
Jefferson Elementary School	9/11/2020	Yes	Sufficient
Natomas High School	9/11/2020	Yes	Sufficient
Natomas Middle School	9/18/2020	Yes	Sufficient
Two Rivers Elementary School	9/11/2020	Yes	Sufficient