

VIA EMAIL

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San Diego Chicano/Latino Concilio on Higher Education
San Diego, California

Chancellor Greg Smith
San Diego Community College District

Dear Chancellor Smith:

We write this correspondence to strongly recommend that the three campuses of the SDCCD allocate enough resources to ensure adequate staff for the undocumented (or dreamer) resource center on each campus. Specifically, we recommend that all three campuses allocate stable funds for a director, counselor, and assistant with all three positions as full-time.

We appreciate the steps taken by the district under your leadership to protect the security of SDCCD's undocumented and mixed status students. However, it has come to our attention that not all three campuses have the necessary staffing model articulated above. As a result, undocumented students might not have access to the services and support they need. We are concerned that some of the district's campuses might have plans to reduce the staff of their undocumented centers.

We ask that you work with the respective leadership of the three campuses to ensure that each center has the adequate staff during these complex and demanding times. We hope that your district will deploy the appropriate staff by the fall semester of 2025.

We welcome a dialog with you regarding this critical issue, and we look forward to your response.

Sinceramente,

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