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District Advisory Council for Compensatory Education Programs
General Meeting – March 18, 2026, 6:00-7:30 p.m.

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General Meeting Minutes

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Item	Description/Actions	Meeting Summary
A. Welcome and Call to Order		Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm
1. Listening to Interpretation in Zoom	Informational: Interpreters, Translation Department	Karen Gonzalez explained how to access the interpretation channel and provided Spanish interpretation throughout the entire meeting.
2. Public Comment	Informational: Keashonna Christopher, DAC Chairperson	Members were given the opportunity to share public comments.
3. Board Officer Updates	Informational: DAC Executive Officers	Keashonna Christopher, DAC Chairperson, encouraged members to meet with their SSCs to review budget changes and finalize budgets, noting that some may still be adjusting allocations and beginning SPSA review. Members were reminded to ensure agendas are shared in advance so they have time to review materials, ask questions, and request additional information. Emphasis was placed on the importance of being informed to support effective decision-making, and members were encouraged to use DAC as a resource for questions and support.
B. Ongoing DAC Business 1. Family Engagement	Informational: Pamela King, Family Engagement	Pamela King provided updates emphasizing the importance of keeping students and families at the center of the work and maintaining a shared responsibility among schools, families, and community partners. She highlighted the value of engaging trusted partners in supporting student success and encouraged participation in shared decision-making opportunities such as DAC, DELAC, and other advisory meetings. Updates included reminders to review district communications, as well as information on various community resources, events, and workshops available to families, including wellness supports, job opportunities, legal and health resources, and local activities. Additional reminders included upcoming events, community resources, and recognition of observances such as Ramadan, Women's History Month, Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, and Cesar Chavez Day.

Next Scheduled DAC General Meeting: April 22, 2026, 6:00-7:30 PM
Next Scheduled Executive Board Meeting: April 08, 2026, 6:30-8:00
Spanish interpretation is provided at both the Executive and General DAC Meetings

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2. Review District Family Engagement Policy	Informational: Pamela King, Family Engagement	Pamela King reviewed the District Family and Community Engagement Policy, emphasizing the district's commitment to strong partnerships between families, schools, and communities to support student success. The policy is updated annually with input from parent leaders and advisory groups and serves as a living document aligned with LCAP and SPSA goals, promoting shared decision-making and collaboration. The district prioritizes inclusive communication through translation supports, accessible resources, and training for both families and staff, while working to reduce participation barriers. Ongoing feedback through surveys and committees informs continuous improvement. Additionally, Title I funds support family engagement efforts, with parents playing an active role in budgeting decisions to ensure transparency, accountability, and meaningful involvement.
3. Communications Testimonials	Informational: Keashonna Christopher, DAC Chairperson	Keashonna Christopher announced that DAC members are being highlighted in district communications through a new parent leader testimonial series. Members, including parents and student leaders, are invited to participate by submitting testimonials to recognize their contributions and leadership in school decision-making. The series aims to showcase the impact of DAC members across different areas, with upcoming opportunities for Areas A, B, and C. Participation includes responding to prompts and sharing a photo, providing a way to celebrate and document member involvement and community impact.
4. Approval of Minutes: February 18, 2026	Action: Keashonna Christopher, DAC Chairperson	A motion to approve the February 18, 2026, minutes was made by Reine Prince, DAC Representative for Mt. Everest Academy, and seconded by Melissa Spadin, DAC Representative for Joyner Elementary. 89% (34/38) voted yes, 3% (1/38) voted no, 8% (3/38) abstained. Motion passed.
5. Looking at the Budget Overview, Transfer Forms, and Title I Realignment Form	Informational: Ryan Brock, Resource Teacher, SPSA Department	Ryan Brock presented on budget oversight and transfer processes, emphasizing the importance of SSC members understanding Title I budget management to make informed decisions. Key components of the budget were reviewed, including allocations, expenditures, encumbrances, and remaining balances, along with the need for budget transfers when accounts are overspent. The use of transfer forms was explained, highlighting the requirement for SSC approval and proper documentation to ensure

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		transparency and compliance. A blanket transfer option was introduced to streamline year-end budget adjustments under specific conditions. Oversight by resource teachers and budget analysts ensures expenditures meet Title I guidelines, and members were reminded of the June 30 deadline for transfer approvals.
6. Upcoming State Assessments	Informational: Eileen Moreno, Senior Director, Data Insights and Systems Support	Eileen Moreno provided an overview of upcoming state assessments, highlighting their role in identifying student needs, monitoring progress, and informing instruction and resource allocation. Key assessments discussed included ELPAC, SBAC, CAA, and CAST, along with their testing windows. The presentation also reviewed available accessibility supports, including universal tools, designated supports, and accommodations for eligible students. Families were encouraged to utilize available practice tests and resources to support student preparation, and materials were noted to be accessible in multiple languages.
7. Extended School Year Presentation	Informational: Tobie Pace, Senior Director, Extended Learning Opportunities	Tobie Pace, Christiane Trout-McPhee, and Sara Guinn provided an overview of extended learning opportunities, highlighting expanded access to summer and before/after school programs through the transition to Rate 1 funding, allowing universal access for elementary and middle school students. Summer programs are tuition-free and include academic and enrichment opportunities across grade levels, including credit recovery and internships for high school students. Enrollment information and timelines were shared, with multilingual resources available to support families in the application process. The district also emphasized inclusive practices, including supports for students with IEPs and 504 plans, and ongoing efforts to improve staffing and program accessibility.
C. New DAC business 1. Questions and Answers	Discussion: Keashonna Christopher, DAC Chairperson	The Q&A portion of the meeting was not held due to time constraints, as the meeting exceeded the scheduled time.
D. Attendance		
E. Adjourn		Meeting adjourned at 7:42 pm

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