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September 20, 2016

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Contra Costa County
725 Court Street
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Subject: Contra Costa County Grand Jury Report 1604

On behalf of the Martinez Unified School District Board of Education, please accept this letter as the legally required response regarding the findings and recommendations listed in Grand Jury Report 1604, "Are Our Schools in Compliance with the "EpiPen" Law, SB 1266?"

Required Responses to Grand Jury findings in Report 1604 for findings one, two, three, five, and seven (1,2,3,5, and 7):

F1. The respondent agrees that Mylan Specialty Division supplies Pens at no cost, or at a discounted rate to Martinez Unified.

F2. The respondent agrees that Mylan Specialty Division will replace Pens in the District that have expired at a discounted cost.

F3. The respondent agrees with the finding that FARE and CDE statistical information project a range of 4% to 7.7% of the students that may have an allergy that is unknown to parent and undiagnosed.

F5. The respondent agrees with the finding that SB1266 does not clearly address the issue of Pens at off-campus school activities or events.

F7. The respondent agrees that SB 1266 does not require follow up procedures for reporting the use of a Pen.

Required Responses to Grand Jury recommendations in Report 1604 for recommendations three, four, eight, ten, and twelve (3, 4, 8, 10, 12):

R3. This recommendation has been implemented. The Superintendent has reviewed with our Director of Student Services, who oversees our School Nurses to ensure that we are in compliance on an annual basis with SB 1266.

R4. This recommendation has been implemented. During our September 12, 2016 regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting, our Board Members were provided a report regarding Martinez Unified School District's ongoing compliance with SB 1266.

R8. The recommendation has been implemented. The District consulted with legal counsel, as well as our School Nurses in the development of our board policies and administrative regulations related to EpiPens (BP/AR 5141.21).

R10. The recommendation has been implemented. The District consulted with legal counsel, as well as our School Nurses in the development of our board policies and administrative regulations related to EpiPens (BP/AR 5141.21).

R12. This recommendation has not yet been implemented. Martinez Unified is in agreement with the recommendation to help parents understand the risks of anaphylaxis and the protocol in place for emergency administration of epinephrine. However, the District is further considering the best medium, best target audience, and related costs for such communication. The District has communication available via email, face to face, robo-call, and text message, as mediums for conveying this message to parents. This recommendation is expected to be implemented by the completion of this year.

Sincerely,



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