

RECOMMENDED PURSUIT OF POSITION – LEGISLATION SESSION 2025-26: EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

Introduction

The Policy Roundtable for Child Care and Development Commission (Policy Roundtable) firmly believes that all young children in Los Angeles County have an undeniable right to develop and thrive without explicit and implicit bias. Due to structural inequity, all legislation and policies should be examined through an equity lens to build a system where all children have access to high quality affordable early care and education (ECE). With this as a core value, the Policy Roundtable recommends that the Board of Supervisors adopt the following proposed pursuit of position to increase access to and strengthen the ECE system:

- **Support AB 49 and similar measures that strengthen protections for immigrant children in California by prohibiting immigration enforcement officers from entering schools and child care facilities without proper legal authorization.**

This document provides a brief analysis of the proposed policy position and justification. It concludes with the recommended pursuit of position and demonstrates consistency with existing Los Angeles County legislative policies.

Summary Analysis of Proposed Legislation

Nearly 50% of Los Angeles County child care providers are immigrants and one in two children in the Los Angeles Metro Area has at least one immigrant parent.^{1,2} California students have the right to attend public school in the State free from discrimination, harassment, violence, intimidation, and bullying (CA Education Code [EC] 220, 234, et seq.). The threat of immigration enforcement can impair the ability of students, regardless of their immigration status, to thrive and receive an equitable education.³ Deportation threats can negatively impact children's mental and physical health and long-term development as well as the health and well-being of early educators. Assembly Bill (AB) 49, introduced by Assemblymember Muratsuchi, seeks to strengthen protections for immigrant students and their families and ensure federal immigration agents cannot detain undocumented students or their families without proper judicial warrants or legal authority. Specifically, the bill will:

- Prohibit school officials and employees of a local education agency (LEA) from allowing an officer or employee of the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to enter a school site for any purpose without providing valid identification, a written statement of purpose, and a valid judicial warrant, and receiving approval from the superintendent of the school district or county office of education, or the principal of the charter school, or their designee, as applicable.
- Prohibit, except as required by state or federal law or as required to administer a state or federally supported child care program, employees of a day care center from allowing an officer or employee of ICE to enter the site of the day care center for any purpose without providing valid identification, a written statement of purpose, a valid judicial warrant, and receiving approval from the director of the day care center or their designee.

¹ Ali, U., Brown, J., and Herbst, C., Secure Communities as Immigration Enforcement: How Secure is the Child Care Market? (2024). Journal of Public Economics. March 2, 2025 <https://docs.iza.org/dp15821.pdf>

² Profile of the Foreign-born Population in Los Angeles, California (2023), Vera Institute of Justice. March 2, 2025 <https://vera-institute.files.svdcdn.com/production/downloads/publications/profile-of-foreign-born-population-los-angeles-long-beach.pdf>

³ Joy Ee, J. and Gandara, P., Under Siege: The Disturbing Impact of Immigration Enforcement on the Nation's Schools (2020). Immigration Initiative at Harvard. March 2, 2025 https://immigrationinitiative.harvard.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/brief_2_english.pdf

- Require LEAs and day care centers, if the officer or employee of ICE meets those requirements, to limit access to facilities where pupils are not present.
- Provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

Justification

AB 49, also known as the California Safe Haven Schools and Child Care Act, reasserts that schools and child care centers continue to be safe and accessible to all California residents regardless of immigration status and that federal immigration agents cannot detain undocumented students or their families on or in the vicinity to school property without proper warrants or legal authority. Passage of AB 49 will: 1) prohibit immigration enforcement officers from entering California schools; 2) require immigration enforcement officers to provide staff with valid identification, a judicial warrant, and a clear statement of purpose; and 3) codify state law to restrict school's involvement in immigration enforcement activities. Organizations supporting AB 49 are listed below:

1. California Association for Bilingual Education
2. California School Employees Association
3. City of Oakland
4. County of Monterey
5. First 5 Alameda County
6. Japanese American Citizens League – San Jose
7. Los Angeles County Democratic Party
8. Multi-Faith ACTION Coalition
9. Pomona Unified School District

Recommended Pursuit of Position – Support

The Policy Roundtable, with input from the Joint Committee on Legislation, recommends the following position to support in order to increase access to high-quality ECE services:

- Support AB 49 and similar measures that strengthen protections for immigrant children in California by prohibiting immigration enforcement officers from entering schools and child care facilities without proper legal authorization.

County Legislative Policy

This position is consistent with the Los Angeles County 2025 State Legislative Agenda:

Human Services

- Increase access to high-quality early care and education services provided by a qualified and well compensated workforce.
- Increase and expand eligibility, including the elimination of immigration status restrictions, and decrease enrollment barriers, simplify eligibility determination and income reporting requirements, and/or increase automation and information sharing with state agencies.

Equity

- Address and combat discrimination based on age, disability, disease status, gender identity, language, immigration status, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or other protected characteristics.

Supporting Materials

The recommended pursuit of position is consistent with positions adopted by the following local and statewide entities:

1. California Association for Bilingual Education Letter of Support for AB 49. February 19, 2025 (attached)
2. California School Employees Association Letter of Support for AB 49. January 10, 2025 (attached)
3. City of Oakland Agenda Report and Oakland City Council Resolution. March 4, 2025 (attached)
4. County of Monterey Letter of Support for AB 49. January 28, 2025 (attached)
5. First 5 Alameda County Letter of Support for AB 49. February 24, 2025 (attached)
6. Japanese American Citizens League – San Jose Letter of Support for AB 49. February 2, 2025 (attached)
7. Los Angeles County Democratic Party Letter of Support for AB 49. February 18, 2025 (attached)
8. Multi-Faith ACTION Coalition Letter of Support for AB 49. March 4, 2025 (attached)
9. Pomona Unified School District Letter of Support for AB 49. February 3, 2025 (attached)

Additional Sources

- Ali, U., Brown, J., and Herbst, C., Secure Communities as Immigration Enforcement: How Secure is the Child Care Market? (2024). Journal of Public Economics. March 2, 2025 <https://docs.iza.org/dp15821.pdf>
- Joy Ee, J. and Gandara, P., Under Siege: The Disturbing Impact of Immigration Enforcement on the Nation's Schools (2020). Immigration Initiative at Harvard. March 2, 2025 https://immigrationinitiative.harvard.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/brief_2_english.pdf
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- SEIU Child Care Providers United Letter to Candace Hyatt (January 23, 2025)



February 19, 2025

The Honorable Assembly Member Al Muratsuchi
Chair, Assembly Education Committee
1020 N Street, Room 159
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 49 (Muratsuchi)
Position: Support

Dear Chair Muratsuchi:

The California Association for Bilingual Education (CABE) works to promote bilingual education and quality educational experiences for all students in California. CABE's mission is to support the vision of biliteracy, multicultural competency, and educational equity for all students through the shared values of implementing priorities, initiatives, and services designed to increase California's capacity to create caring and highly effective learning environments that promote multiliteracy and support English learners and all diverse populations.

CABE is pleased to support AB 49 (Muratsuchi), as introduced on December 2, 2024, which would prohibit local educational agency (LEA) school officials and employees from allowing federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials from entering a school site for any purpose without providing valid identification, a written statement of purpose, a valid judicial warrant, as well as receiving approval from the superintendent of the district, the county, or the principal of the charter school or their designee. The measure further requires the LEA to limit access to school facilities, as prescribed by law.

CABE believes that California must lead the nation in its vigilant protection and support for the safety and well-being of California's immigrant community who are already facing objectification and are beginning to face harassment and intimidation. Many fear separation from their families, despite their status as citizens or documented residents. Approximately 45 percent of children in our state have at least one immigrant parent. Additionally, 60 percent of children under the age of five speak a language other than English at home, meaning California must create policies that are more purposeful in supporting its students.

This important legislation creates an effective state-wide protocol for handling potentially intrusive and traumatizing activities that can negatively impact all students.

CABE urges your "AYE" vote when this important measure is heard by the Assembly Education Committee. Should you have any questions regarding our request, feel free to reach out to CABE's Legislative Advocate Jennifer Baker at jbaker@m-w-h.com.

Sincerely,



Dr. Edgar Lampkin
CABE Chief Executive Officer



Jenifer Baker
CABE Legislative Advocate

cc: Members of the Assembly Education Committee
Debbie Look, Consultant, Assembly Education Committee
Robert Becker, Consultant, Assembly Republican Caucus



AFL-CIO

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January 10, 2025

The Honorable Al Muratsuchi
California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Suite 5310
Sacramento, California 95814

Re: AB 49 (Muratsuchi) – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Muratsuchi:

The California School Employees Association, AFL-CIO, supports your Assembly Bill 49, which would prevent immigration enforcement from entering a school site without providing a valid judicial warrant and receiving permission from the superintendent.

We look forward to working with you on this measure. If you have any questions regarding our position, please contact me at (916) 909-4909 or cclopez@csea.com. Thank you.

Sincerely,

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

Carlos Lopez
Legislative Advocate

CL:ct

c: Chris Masami Myers, Interim Director, Governmental Relations



CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT NOEL GALLO

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF: (1) ASSEMBLY BILL 49 (MURATSUCHI) WHICH WOULD PROHIBIT U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT (ICE) FROM ENTERING SCHOOLS WITHOUT A JUDICIAL WARRANT; (2) ASSEMBLY BILL 421 (SOLACHE), WHICH WOULD PROHIBIT CALIFORNIA LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL FROM COLLABORATING OR PROVIDING INFORMATION TO FEDERAL AUTHORITIES ENGAGING IN IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT NEAR DAYCARE CENTERS, HOUSES OF WORSHIP, AND MEDICAL FACILITIES; AND (3) SENATE BILL 48 (GONZALEZ), WHICH WOULD PROHIBIT ICE FROM CONDUCTING ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS ON SCHOOLS AND AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS WITHOUT A JUDICIAL WARRANT

WHEREAS, the federal administration has made threats regarding mass deportation and has signaled intentions to rescind policies that protect sensitive locations such as schools, hospitals, and places of worship from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) enforcement actions; and

WHEREAS, President Donald Trump has repeatedly criticized Sanctuary Cities, emphasizing his administration's commitment to enforcing federal immigration laws and penalizing jurisdictions that do not assist in implementing such policies; and

WHEREAS, public institutions such as a city's police and fire department's provision of services, hospitals, clinics, schools, and public transportation are essential to immigrant communities, and are particularly vulnerable to federal immigration enforcement, which threatens to undermine access to vital basic services for these residents; and

WHEREAS, if adopted, Assembly Bill 49, introduced by Assembly Member Al Muratsuchi, would prohibit school officials and employees of a local educational agency from allowing an officer or employee of ICE to enter a school for any purpose without providing valid identification, a written statement of purpose, a valid judicial warrant, and receiving approval from the superintendent of the school district, the superintendent of the county office of education, or the principal of the charter school, or their designee, as applicable. The bill would require the local educational agency, if the officer or employee of ICE meets those requirements, to limit access to facilities where pupils are not present; and

WHEREAS, if adopted, Assembly Bill 421, introduced by Assembly Member Jose Solache, would prohibit California law enforcement agencies from collaborating with, or providing any information in writing, verbally, on in any other manner to, immigration authorities regarding proposed or currently underway immigration enforcement actions when the actions could be or are taking place within a radius of one mile of any childcare or daycare facility, religious institution, place of worship, hospital, or medical office; and

WHEREAS, California State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond has championed SB 48, a bill introduced by Senate Majority Leader Lena Gonzalez, which would prohibit U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) from conducting enforcement actions on school campuses, after-school programs, and places of worship, and ensure the safety and security of California's immigrant families and their access to education and essential services; and now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the City Council is in support of AB 49 and urges its passage; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council is in support of AB 421 and urges its passage; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council is in support of SB 48 and urges its passage; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council directs the City Administrator to send this Resolution upon its adoption to Governor Gavin Newsom, Assembly Members Al Muratsuchi and Jose Solache, and Senate Majority Leader Lena Gonzalez.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROWN, FIFE, HOUSTON, KAPLAN, RAMACHANDRAN, UNGER, AND
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE GALLO

NOES –

ABSENT – COUNCIL PRESIDENT JENKINS (serving as Mayor pursuant to Charter Section 303)

ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____
ASHA REED
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California



County of Monterey

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January 28, 2025

Honorable Al Muratsuchi
California State Assembly
1021 O Street, Room 5310
Sacramento, CA 95816

RE: AB 49 (Muratsuchi): Schoolsites and day care centers: entry requirements: immigration enforcement – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Muratsuchi,

On behalf of the County of Monterey, I write to express our support for your measure, Assembly Bill (AB) 49. This bill would prohibit school officials and employees of a local educational agency from allowing an officer or employee of the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to enter a school for any purpose without providing valid identification, a written statement of purpose, and a valid judicial warrant, and receiving approval from the superintendent of the school district, the superintendent of the county office of education, or the principal of the charter school.

Additionally, this bill extends protections to day care centers, prohibiting employees of day care centers from allowing ICE to enter for any purpose without providing a valid judicial warrant. We would also suggest that the bill extend to family childcare homes. Family childcare homes make up a majority of childcare not only in our area, but throughout the state. Therefore, including them ensures the intent of this bill is fully executed.

Monterey County recognizes its long and rich history of immigrants who have contributed to our local economy and become leaders in our community. We are a diverse county with foreign-born residents comprising over 28.9% of the County's total population, and significant numbers of undocumented immigrants comprise our county's workforce in the agriculture, hospitality, and construction industries. Building a welcoming environment is fundamental to a vibrant and inclusive community. Therefore, the County of Monterey wants to assure immigrants, refugees, and other newcomers' opportunities for economic security, empowerment, and civic engagement, which are safe and free from discrimination, oppression, and violence, including safety to attend and work at our schools and to send children to daycare.

The bill's prohibition of schools and day care centers from providing education records or any information about a pupil, pupil's family, and household to a U.S. ICE officer will ensure that families will feel safer and more protected.

For these reasons, the County of Monterey supports AB 49 and suggests that family childcare homes be included. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Monterey County's Public Policy Advisor, Ashley Walker of Nossaman LLP at 916-442-8888.

Sincerely,

Chris M. Lopez, Chair
Board of Supervisors

cc: The Honorable John Laird, 17th Senate District
The Honorable Robert Rivas, 29th Assembly District
The Honorable Dawn Addis, 30th Assembly District

California State Association of Counties (CSAC)
Rural County Representatives of California (RCRC)



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February 24, 2025

The Honorable Al Muratsuchi
Capitol Swing Space
1021 O Street, Suite 5310
Sacramento, CA 94249-0066

RE: AB 49 (Muratsuchi): Schoolsites and day care centers: entry requirements: immigration enforcement—SUPPORT.

Dear Assemblymember Muratsuchi,

On behalf of First 5 Alameda County (First 5), I am writing to express our strong **support of AB-49 Schoolsites and day care centers: entry requirements: immigration enforcement.** This bill would add protections to school sites and child care facilities from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) enforcement actions. Early care and education programs are an important component of child and family well-being and should be treated as safe settings for all children and families. For these reasons, we also encourage you to consider including protections for family child care homes.

First 5 uses a “whole community, whole family, whole child” approach to ensure that every child in Alameda County—regardless of race, family income, or immigration status—gets a strong start in life. We do this by working to ensure that policies, systems, communities, and schools support families and children by creating the conditions that position all for success.

Alameda County is a diverse county.

- We are the seventh most diverse county in the United States.
- We are the seventh most populous county in California.
- It is estimated that over 1 in 2 (53%) children under 6 years of age live in families with at least one foreign-born parent.
- Almost 1 in 2 children live in households where a language other than English is spoken at home.

Children, families, and educators should feel safe in accessing early care and education programs. **For these reasons, we are in strong support of AB-49.** Thank you for your leadership in advancing protection from immigration enforcement in educational settings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kristin Spanos".

Kristin Spanos
Chief Executive Officer
First 5 Alameda County



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February 2, 2025

Japanese American Citizens League, San Jose Chapter
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Re: AB 49 (Muratsuchi) – SUPPORT

The Japanese American Citizens League San Jose Chapter strongly supports AB 49, the *California Safe Haven Schools and Child Care Act*, which protects immigrant children from actions by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officers who enter school sites or child care facilities.

Founded in 1929, the JACL is the oldest and largest Asian American civil rights organization in the United States. The JACL monitors and responds to issues that enhance or threaten the civil and human rights of all Americans and implements strategies to effect positive social change, particularly to the Asian Pacific American Community.

AB 49 strengthens these protections for undocumented students and their families by codifying the California Attorney General's model policies, which aim to restrict the involvement of schools in immigration enforcement activities. These policies ensure that federal immigration agents cannot detain undocumented students or their families on or near school property without proper judicial warrants or legal authority.

Schools are one of the last places immigrant families feel safe. The threat of federal immigration officials coming onto school grounds to detain undocumented students or family members casts a shadow of fear over all California students. Students cannot learn if they are under threat of deportation or separation from their family members. Children should not be afraid to come to school, and parents should not be afraid to send their children to school.

We urge your support for AB 49 when it comes before you for a vote.

Sincerely,

Naoko Fujii

Japanese American Citizens League, San Jose Chapter



February 18, 2025

The Honorable Al Muratsuchi
State Capitol
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 49: Schoolsites and Day Care Centers: Entry Requirements: Immigration Enforcement – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Muratsuchi,

The Los Angeles County Democratic Party (LACDP) considers and debates many bills submitted by legislators and organizations and have voted unanimously in support of AB 49.

California and Los Angeles County and our residents are in the crosshairs of a vengeful and cruel administration which is sowing chaos, fear, and disruptions in our communities with threats of “mass deportations.”

AB 49 will limit officers of the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) even if appropriately credentialed and in possession of a valid judicial warrant, from traumatizing students at school and children at day care by mandating that local educational agencies and employees of state or federally supported Day Care Centers deny ICE access to these sites when children are present.

AB 49 will grant educators and caregivers a legal means to protect the children entrusted to their care from at least one of the Trump administration’s reckless and unnecessary harms. Our members urge its swift passage.

LACDP is the official governing body of the Democratic Party in the County of Los Angeles and works in cooperation with the State and National Democratic Committees. LACDP is the largest local Democratic Party entity in the United States, representing more than 3.1 million registered Democrats.

If the LACDP can be of assistance, please contact Annie Reyland, LACDP Director of Operations, at annie@LACDP.org or (949) 412-4334.

Sincerely,

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Mark Ramos, Chair

March 4, 2025

The Honorable Al Muratsuchi, Chair
Assembly Education Committee
1020 N Street, Room 159
Sacramento, CA 95814



Re: AB 49 (Muratsuchi) Schoolsites and day care centers: entry requirements: immigration enforcement – SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Muratsuchi and Committee members,

On behalf of the Multi-faith ACTION Coalition, composed of advocates from some fifty congregations in Contra Costa County, I write to express our support for AB 49. Our shared faith values honoring the human dignity of every individual call for us to speak out for immigrant justice by supporting this bill. Our various faith traditions are consistent in their call to welcome the stranger—but not just welcome them: to respond with compassion, empathy, justice, and support.

This bill would prohibit school officials and employees of a local educational agency from allowing an officer or employee of the federal Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to enter a schoolsite for any purpose without providing valid identification, a written statement of purpose, and a valid judicial warrant, and receiving approval from the superintendent of the school district, the superintendent of the county office of education, or the principal of the charter school, or their designee. The bill would require the local educational agency, if the officer or employee of ICE meets those requirements, to limit access to facilities where pupils are not present. AB 49 would also place similar requirements for ICE access to day care centers.

The threat of federal immigration officials coming onto school grounds to detain undocumented students or family members casts a shadow of fear over all California students. Students cannot learn if they are living in fear of being deported or separated from their family members. This bill is necessary because children should not be afraid to come to school, and parents should not be afraid to send their children to school. Immigration crackdowns can have a significant impact on student attendance, a Stanford study found, which can lead to less funding for schools, particularly low-income schools that enroll large numbers of immigrant children. Schools are one of the last places immigrant families feel safe. But as soon as federal agents move into schools, they do not feel safe anymore.

For all of these reasons, we strongly support this bill. We urge your committee to vote in favor of AB 49 and pass it forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Douglas A. Leich".

Douglas A. Leich
Racial Justice Task Force Chair
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February 3, 2025

Honorable Al Muratsuchi, Esq.
Assemblymember, 66th District
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Sacramento, CA 94249-0066

RE: Support for Assembly Bill 49 (AB 49)

Dear Assemblymember Muratsuchi,

On behalf of the Pomona Unified School District (PUSD), I write in full support of your bill, AB 49: Schoolsites and day care centers: entry requirements: immigration enforcement. Our student's safety is our number one priority and ensuring a learning environment where students feel safe is critical for a quality education.

Here at PUSD, we are committed to promoting a safe and secure learning environment for all students regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, country of origin, and/or a student's immigration status. We appreciate and value the diversity throughout our District, including the unique perspectives and experiences that our students and families bring to our schools. As such, the PUSD Board of Education at their regular board meeting on January 15, 2025 unanimously passed Resolution No. 16: Support of California Assembly Bill 49 and Senate Bill 48 and Its Commitment to Safeguarding the Civil Rights, Safety, and Dignity of All Students and Families. This resolution states our commitment is not just local but that we join with you and advocate for everyone in our community to feel that their school is a safe place for their child to learn free from the anxiety that they may be a target of federal law enforcement.

I know our community is scared. I know our students are scared. I know our staff are scared. That is why it is imperative for our schools to be a safe haven. Because our job as educators is to teach not be a political or law enforcement battle ground.

Thank you for your introduction of AB 49 and we urge all your colleagues in the legislature to join your efforts and pass AB49. If you have any questions or need any more information please do not hesitate to reach out to me on my cell phone at (909) 240-2171 or Darren.Knowles@pusd.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Darren Knowles".

Darren Knowles
Superintendent of Schools