



***Common Good and Community Support Demands  
in the Time of Covid-19***  
*Ratified by the educator members of the SDEA Board of Directors  
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We call on the state and federal government to immediately release funds to support our vulnerable student and family populations.

As the fifth largest economy in the world, and with a total reserve of almost \$20 billion, California can afford to do the right thing and support our families.

We call on the city, county, and state to create a healthy, socio-economic safety net for our students, working families and communities, including these common good and community support demands:

- Outline clear health and safety protocols for the home.
- Provide 15 additional paid sick days a year to all workers in San Diego County, to align with the quarantine period for COVID-19; additional paid time off for those who do not have sick days with their employers.
- A weekly disaster stipend for working parents who have to stay home with their children without losing pay.
- Remove all economic barriers for COVID-19 testing and treatment, including eliminating all insurance co-payments and deductibles.
- Create a network of food and supply distribution centers.
- Free and reliable broadband internet access and access to electronic devices for students while at home.
- Debt forgiveness, suspended rent, mortgage, and student loan payments, suspended eviction court and utility shut-offs.
- No penalizing schools based on attendance or missed standardized assessments.
- Provide safe shelter, healthcare services and support for all, including students, who are suffering from homelessness.
- Provide additional support and protection for our students with disabilities, especially our medically fragile students.

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