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State schools chief honors city schools leaders in protecting undocumented students

Torlakson recognizing Sacramento City Unified during town hall at Oak Ridge Elementary School cafeteria Wednesday at 9:45 a.m.

SACRAMENTO State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson will recognize the Sacramento City Unified School District's pioneering Safe Haven campaign during a town hall at Oak Ridge Elementary School on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at 9:45 a.m.

In December 2016, SCUSD was among the first districts in California to designate its schools and facilities as safe from Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) deportation actions. In March, the district launched an unprecedented campaign to educate undocumented students and their families about their rights if confronted by ICE agents and redoubled efforts to ensure all students at school feel welcomed and protected. Sac City is distributing to schools thousands of Know Your Rights cards as well as welcome banners and lawn signs and working with local organizations to help host Know Your Rights forums at district facilities. In addition, SCUSD is asking students, employees and community members to pledge their support for the Safe Haven campaign.

Information, including the text of the December resolution and an infographic about SCUSD's Safe Haven efforts may be found at <http://www.scusd.edu/safehaven>

WHO: State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson, Sacramento City Unified School District Vice President and Board Member ~~Jessie Ryan~~ and the December Safe Haven resolution. Oak Ridge Elementary Sch4(v)7 Ri will represent and Ryan, who will visit classrooms and the s

