

Fontana Unified School District & City of Fontana

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Fontana Unified School District and City of Fontana to Establish Community Round Table

FONTANA, CA – Fontana Unified School District and the City of Fontana are partnering with community stakeholders to create a Community Round Table, giving residents and local leaders the opportunity to come together to address concerns and seek solutions that support diversity, inclusivity and compassion throughout Fontana.

The joint effort to foster a more cohesive, respectful sense of community was announced following a recent exchange between a Fontana Unified student and teacher, related to the use of a racially insensitive word, that was recorded and shared on social media.

"We recognize that such incidents can be hurtful and upsetting, and we want to assure our students, families and community that we do not tolerate any form of discrimination or prejudice in our community," Fontana Unified Superintendent Miki R. Inbody said. "Both FUSD and the City of Fontana remain committed to providing safe, inclusive learning environments where all students can achieve their full potential. In support of this commitment, steps are being taken to address this issue and prevent similar incidents from happening in the future."

The District launched an investigation into the incident and announced plans to provide training and support to administrators, teachers, and staff to reinforce the importance of creating an inclusive and respectful learning environment. Fontana Unified will also create opportunities for open dialogue between students and employees about the impact of language and behavior.

The Community Round Table is one such effort to encourage productive dialogue, acknowledge and address biases, and collaborate on creating a more inclusive learning environment and community.

Fontana Unified families and residents are invited to participate in the Round Table. Details on the event will be shared with FUSD families via ParentSquare and made available to the community on the District and City of Fontana websites in the near future.

"The Community Round Table is an important step toward fostering meaningful communication in our community," Fontana Mayor Acquanetta Warren said. "We look forward to continuing our work in creating a safe and thriving environment for everyone who calls Fontana home."

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