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I am pleased to recommend Jivan Dhaliwal to be hired as our new Director of Curriculum and Instruction. Our nine person interview panel represented certificated and classified staff from all of our school sites and the district office. We had 11 candidates, interviewed five of those individuals in round one on Nov 29, two in round two on Dec. 6, and I am pleased to say that today Jivan was the overwhelming choice of the interview panel from a slate of extremely well qualified candidates.

Jivan is currently the Director of Curriculum and Instruction and Equity and Access for San Benito County Office of Education. Her responsibilities have included the planning, organizing, and direction of curriculum and instruction operations, activities, programs and educational services for the County Office including alternative education schools, rural schools, and county schools. She has worked hard to develop, implement, and evaluate programs focused on increasing student achievement to close the achievement gaps in the county. She also planned, implemented, and evaluated state and federal programs related to those areas.

Prior to her assuming this county office position, her resume includes several county, district, and building positions that relate to curriculum and instruction. She served as a Mathematics teacher and Department Chair at Aptos Junior High School, Associate Superintendent for Educational Services at Santa Cruz County Office of Education, Director of Curriculum and Instruction for Campbell Union High School District, and Mathematics Coordinator and later Director of Secondary Education at Santa Clara County Office of Education. We are indeed fortunate to be able to add such an experienced educator to our cabinet!

Jivan's educational vitae is also impressive including a B.A. in Mathematics and History from University of California, Santa Cruz, and Ed credentials from San Francisco State University. She is also a doctoral candidate completing her doctoral degree from the University of California, Berkeley's Graduate School of Education. Her focus is *Leadership in Educational Equity Programs*. She is well prepared to assist us with assessing our programs through this lens of equity and skilled in MTSS (multi-tiered systems of support).

I am excited to welcome Jivan to our cabinet, to our team, to our ASJUSD family. I am confident she will be instrumental in helping all of us reach our goals as a spotlight district in the service of *all* of our students!