



Slow Food® Sacramento

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Sacramento City Unified School District
Board of Education Trustee Jay Hansen

Re: Proposed Food Literacy Center operation of urban farm program at Leataata Floyd Elementary School

Dear Trustee Hansen:

On behalf of Slow Food Sacramento, I would like to whole-heartedly express our support for the Food Literacy Center proposal to operate the urban farm and garden program at Leataata Floyd Elementary School.

Slow Food Sacramento and the Food Literacy Center coordinate on multiple projects and events, including those that provide experiential learning in school gardens and classroom settings. This proposal to operate the urban farm at an elementary school fits within the Food Literacy's mission and expertise.

The Food Literacy Center under Amber Stott's leadership and vision will provide an excellent opportunity for children to "dig in" and learn more about healthy foods, gardening, and how healthy foods can be delicious and prevent poor health.

The Food Literacy Center is a recognized leader in the community. In 2014, the Food Literacy Center received a Slow Food Sacramento Snail of Approval Award in the "Supporter" category. Supporters are those businesses or organizations that support the basic principles of Slow Food – good, clean, fair food for all.

The Slow Food Sacramento Board is confident the Food Literacy Center will contribute in a meaningful way to engage children in experience growing, eating, and cooking healthy foods in a school environment.

Kind regards,

Mary Ruggsve on behalf of

Kathy Les, President
Slow Food Sacramento