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Liz Lowe Is Our Teacher of the Year

Congratulations Elizabeth “Liz” Lowe (BGH) 2020 MUSD Teacher of the Year. Liz was honored by the Board of Education Wednesday, June 3. She was nominated by her colleagues and selected by the MTA Executive Committee (blind screening.) Liz will be the District’s nominee in the Los Angeles County Teacher of the Year Competition.

Liz has taken on multiple responsibilities at the school and district level including:

- *Science classroom teacher with at-risk seniors*
- *AVID Coordinator for BGH Demonstration site*
- *FOL Coordinator*
- *Science Department Chairperson*
- *District Science Lead*



Jan Barber Doyle (BGH) wrote, “Liz is a terrific collaborator and actively seeks input that supports or challenges a protentional solution.”

Congratulations to Classified & Management Employees

District Office Custodian Ralph “Andy” A. Gallegos was named Classified Employee of the Year.

Suva Intermediate Cafeteria Manager Susana “Susan” Villanueva was named manager/administrator of the year.

BoE Schedules Candidate Interviews Tuesday, June 9

The Board of Education scheduled interviews for those who applied for the open seat Tuesday, June 9. The interviews will begin at 4:30 p.m. and be conducted via [Zoom](https://zoom.us).

Fifteen candidates are scheduled to be interviewed.

Martha Cabral

Elizabeth Cabrera

Carlos Cerdan, Jr.

Bernadine DeSevilla

Vanessa Fierro

Jesse Garcia

Roberto Hernandez

Maria Aimee Lopez

Liliana Magaña

Agustin A. Mares

Leonard Narumi

Veronica Obregon

Melissa M. Rendon

Eduardo Rodriguez

Sonia Saucillo Valencia

Montebello Unified School District Resolution No. 39(2019-2020)
Recognizing the Contributions of Underrepresented
Minorities in Montebello Unified School District

WHEREAS, the Montebello Unified School District has been a champion of comprehensive and quality education; and

WHEREAS, building an educated society requires eradicating a non-inclusive version of American history; and

WHEREAS, current standards for teaching history come from a Eurocentric perspective; and

WHEREAS, not learning about the comprehensive history and contributions of people of color in America contributes to lower test scores and achievement gaps for African American, Latinx/Chicanx, and Native American students; and

WHEREAS, the current study of African American history, Asian American history, Latinx/Chicanx history, Armenian history, and Native American history across the United States lacks concepts and the analysis critical to a basic understanding of the history of ethnic minorities in the United States; and **WHEREAS**, through a resolution adopted in 2015 (Resolution No. 15 (2014-2015)) the Montebello Unified School District has demonstrated its unwavering support for the inclusion of the voices and histories of underrepresented minorities and diverse curriculums in the Ethnic Studies program; and **WHEREAS**, the history of African Americans, Asian Americans, Latinx/Chicanx, Armenians, Native Americans, and other groups represented in the Montebello Unified School District community should be a part of the curriculum in elementary schools, intermediate schools, and high schools, and this curriculum should be reviewed by recognized scholars of Ethnic Studies; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Montebello Unified School District empowers students to achieve academic excellence as model citizens by reaffirming the Ethnic Studies Resolution No. 15(2014- 2015) stating that, "The Montebello Unified School District seeks to provide a well-rounded, quality educational curriculum that exposes students to cultures that are crucial to understanding our community, nation, and world, past and present, and that helps our students appreciate the rich histories and cultural contributions of their own communities;" and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Montebello Unified School District shall renew its pursuit of a diverse curriculum in Ethnic Studies and History by engaging school and district personnel, students, and parents and community members.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montebello Unified School District shall continue to provide professional learning opportunities to all personnel and educational opportunities to families on ethnocentrism, racism, and other forms of prejudice and bias that affect underrepresented minorities. **444 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that the Montebello Unified School District adopts Resolution No. 39(2019- 2020) on this 3rd day of June 2020.