July 24, 2017

The Honorable Brian R. Aronson
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of California
County of Sutter
1175 Civic Center Blvd.
Yuba City, California 95993

To the Honorable Judge Aronson,


The Yuba City Unified School District (District) submits the following response to the report, findings, and recommendations of the 2016-2017 Sutter County Grand Jury (SCGJ). Specifically, this responds to the report entitled Education: Building Repairs Needed prepared by the Education Committee.

The District appreciates the time and energy invested by the Education Committee while visiting the following District sites and meeting with site administrators.

- Albert Powell High School
- Andros Karperos Elementary School
- Barry Elementary School
- Butte Vista Elementary School
- Gray Avenue Middle School
- Park Avenue Elementary School
- Riverbend Elementary School
- River Valley High School
- Yuba City Unified District Office

SCGJ committee members inquired about evacuation plans, the effect of the teacher strike, and observed in classrooms as well as toured the entire facility. Members noted a positive relationship between teachers and that staff are moving forward after the teacher strike with a focus on students. Also noted was that all school sites have evacuation plans that cover a variety of situations.
Yuba City Unified School District’s Response to the Findings/Recommendations (F1-F8 and R1-R8) per Penal Code Section 933.05

The District agrees with Findings F1-F8 as outlined in the SCGJ report.

Response to Recommendations

R3 and R5: Painting at Park Avenue and roofing projects were completed at Park Avenue School, Andros Karperos School, Riverbend School and River Valley High School prior to the end of the school year or during the summer of 2017.

R4: An alternate, permanent location for the dumpsters at Park Avenue Elementary School is being determined with implementation of the alternate, permanent location to be resolved and implemented in the 2017-2018 school year.

Recommendations 1, 2, 6, 7 and 8 require further analysis by the District and the District’s Facilities Committee, comprised of three (3) Governing Board members, site administrators, the Director of Maintenance, Facilities, and Custodial Services and the Deputy Superintendent of Business Services. The District and the Facilities Committee will review the findings/recommendations, need to implement the recommendations, solutions to remedy the findings and recommendations, and funding sources for implementation of the recommendations. A facilities report, including the Grand Jury’s recommendations and resolution to the recommendations, will be presented to the YCUSD Governing Board at a regularly scheduled Board meeting, no later than December 12, 2017.

Respectfully,

Doreen Osumi
Superintendent