



September 17, 2015

The Honorable Edmund G. Brown, Jr.  
Governor of California  
State Capitol, First Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 1012 (Jones-Sawyer) – REQUEST FOR SIGNATURE**

Dear Governor Brown:

On behalf of the EdVoice Board of Directors, I write in support of AB 1012. AB 1012 provides unambiguous direction to school districts and the state to ensure students are not assigned to courses without educational content against the will of their parents and guardians. The bill also establishes a process for formal complaints and timely state technical assistance in districts failing to comply with the minimum requirements, as specified.

Schools are supposed to educate students. They should not assign students to course periods where they are expected to: leave school early and sit at home, do administrative busy work in the school office, or take a course they've already passed.

This bill would limit the ability of school districts to assign students to classes without educational content and create a uniform mechanism to ensure that any schools that rely on such courses receive the support necessary to assure that all students receive appropriate educational offerings.

We respectfully ask for your signature on AB 1012.

If you have any questions regarding our position, please don't hesitate to contact me directly.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Lucia".

Bill Lucia  
President and CEO, EdVoice

Cc: Hon. Reggie Jones-Sawyer, Assemblymember, 22<sup>nd</sup> District  
Camille Wagner, Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Office of the Governor  
Karen Stapf Walters, Executive Director, State Board of Education  
Cathy McBride, Deputy Legislative Secretary, Office of the Governor  
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