

WUSD Affirmation Statement Worksheet: **138th St.**  
Article: [Peter Hardeman Burnett](#)

<a href="#">WUSD Goal/Assurance</a>	Support	Undermine	Notes
<b>Safety</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supported or undermined the physical and/or social emotional safety among those they encountered?</i>		-not a good person/mean/racist/promoted slavery -made many people feel unsafe	
<b>Student-Centered</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who appreciated the individual differences- needs and strengths- of those they encountered?</i>	-only if you were a white male	-did not support those of varied cultural backgrounds -having his name on the school does not create a positive environment for students from varied backgrounds -inclusivity -diversity/values of the community	
<b>Future Ready</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supports or undermines the positive views and practices Wiseburn strives to teach students to successfully function in our ever-changing world?</i>		-only thought the future was a white male/different cultures/genders were seen as useless -all about himself/loss popularity -represents someone stuck in the past isn't something to be proud of/want to carry into the future	
<b>Community and Collaboration (DEI)</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supports or undermines efforts for everyone in a community to be heard, be respected, and feel seen? Does this namesake promote or inhibit a feeling of pride?</i>		-inhibits the pride/only supports those who look like/believe as he does -did not advocate for those who do not have a voice -failed in politics but promoted harm -students wouldn't know who he was because he was not someone to be proud of -opposite of community collaboration/diversity	
<b>Organizational Strength</b> <i>How does this namesake support or undermine the assertions for what WUSD stands for?</i>		-looking at the diversity/talent of the neighborhood/ want a name that stands out for that -celebrate the colorfulness	

Are there any other factors to consider that were not outlined above? If so, explain.

Overall, he does not represent our community.  
He would not support all of the cultures we see in our community including African Americans, Latin Americans, Native Americans, and Chinese Americans.  
Some may be nostalgic about their time at the school and we do not want to take from those memories. However, this is a process for inclusivity, just to make our community better.  
He tried to pass a law preventing African Americans from being in California. Think about what our schools would look like if that law had passed. Goes against the values of our community.

What is the recommendation from the group (based on majority rule) for this school to be considered for renaming?

100% thumbs up to name change  
Important to consider contributions to our area  
Important to consider a woman

11/4: Does the namesake align with Wiseburn’s values?      Should we rename Cabrillo?

**WUSD Affirmation Statement Worksheet: Juan de Anza Elementary**  
**Article: Juan Bautista de Anza**

<u>WUSD Goal/Assurance</u>	Support	Undermine	Notes
<b>Safety</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supported or undermined the physical and/or social emotional safety among those they encountered?</i>	He protected Pima Natives from Apache Natives Mediator between Spaniards and Natives Was Diplomatic and tried to go about it in a safe way. He carried out the Spanish policy of maintaining peaceful relationships. Establishing peace between the Kamanchis and the Spaniards and also the Spaniards and the Yutes.	Conquistador actions: Invaded lands that were inhabited. Effective Conquistador, if they hadn't gone along with the peace then land and lives were taken.	Was loyal to the Spanish crown which meant there was a lot that isn't discussed.
<b>Student-Centered</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who appreciated the individual differences- needs and strengths- of those they encountered?</i>	Tried to take a peaceful approach first. Tried to understand both sides. Followed protocols of how Spaniards were to move west. Built presidios near tribes.	Would like students to learn about authentic history and also moving forward with choices that reflect our values moving forward like student individuality, culture, identity etc.	
<b>Future Ready</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supports or undermines the positive views and practices Wiseburn strives to teach students to successfully function in our ever-changing world?</i>			Risk Taker (at the risk of others)  Anza students' differences should be celebrated and shouldn't be forced to assimilate.  Nicer of the colonizers but doesn't negate the fact that there was oppression.
<b>Community and Collaboration (DEI)</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supports or undermines efforts for everyone in a community to be heard, be respected, and feel seen? Does this namesake promote or inhibit a feeling of pride?</i>		No collaboration, diversity equity and inclusion	Maybe his peacemaking was their version of collaboration.
<b>Organizational Strength</b> <i>How does this namesake support or undermine the assertions for what WUSD stands for?</i>			

**Are there any other factors to consider that were not outlined above? If so, explain.**

Context of the times, conquistadors were doing their job.  
Having a school named after someone is an honor. Do we want to continue to honor this person? Do we think he reflects our values?  
At the core, Conquistadors took because they were stronger/conquistadors are shown in a negative light.  
Not everyone who does their job is doing it effectively.  
Struggling with one article, let's dive in deeper and explore more information.

Would like more information.  
Possibly have a speaker talk to us.

**What is the recommendation from the group (based on majority rule) for this school to be considered for renaming?**

*Is Juan Bautista de Anza someone who represents WUSD's values?*  
He was not representative of our values. Do we want to settle for anyone not "that bad"?  
It was mentioned that sometimes the name is a location that we attend, but the value is something that we might want to look into as we move forward with global values.  
Cost?  
Will we feel like we are losing "Anza"?  
We make Anza, we make the values and it needs to represent us and our students, though attachment is understandable.  
There is an attachment to Anza, but not Juan De Anza.  
Would like to name the school not after a person.  
A lot of goodness has been put into the name Anza. It has become "our Anza".  
People will come and go, but the school will stay. This may be an opportunity to do more good, to acknowledge what was done in the past.

*Do you recommend that Juan de Anza Elementary be renamed?*  
  
Yes (6)  
No (2)  
No Vote (3)  
Shared some concerns about not having enough community members in the process.

WUSD Affirmation Statement Worksheet: **Juan Cabrillo Elementary**  
Article: [Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo](#)

<u>WUSD Goal/Assurance</u>	Support	Undermine	Notes
<b>Safety</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supported or undermined the physical and/or social emotional safety among those they encountered?</i>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Safety was not in Cabrillo's mind. He was here to colonize on behalf of the king and queen.</li><li>• A member noted: educated the indigenous tribes on the European world and Christianity</li></ul>
<b>Student-Centered</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who appreciated the individual differences-needs and strengths- of those they encountered?</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Not much to support at this time</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Did not care about differences or equity (women, children, slaves)</li></ul>	
<b>Future Ready</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supports or undermines the positive views and practices Wiseburn strives to teach students to successfully function in our ever-changing world?</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Back then he did, but this is just not relevant now.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Did not represent equity</li><li>• We would not hold him up as a model for students today</li></ul>	
<b>Community and Collaboration (DEI)</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supports or undermines efforts for everyone in a community to be heard, be respected, and feel seen? Does this namesake promote or inhibit a feeling of pride?</i>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Is not from the USA and does not represent our community</li><li>• Doesn't represent our students now</li><li>• No longer relatable</li><li>• Does not represent the diversity of the Cabrillo student body</li></ul>	
<b>Organizational Strength</b> <i>How does this namesake support or undermine the assertions for what WUSD stands for?</i>			

Are there any other factors to consider that were not outlined above? If so, explain.

- Should we consider other sources other than the biography.com article?
- Cabrillo is just not relevant any longer.
- Could we choose a name more in alignment
- One group member feels the professor was one-sided and was selected to present a negative view
- Based on the presenter, Cabrillo didn't do much.

What is the recommendation from the group (based on majority rule) for this school to be considered for renaming?

Is Juan Cabrillo Rodriguez someone who represents WUSD's values? 4/4 say "no"

Do you recommend that Juan Cabrillo Elementary be renamed? 4/4 say "yes"

# WUSD Affirmation Statement Worksheet: **Richard Henry Dana Middle School**

Article: [Richard Henry Dana](#)

<a href="#">WUSD Goal/Assurance</a>	Support	Undermine	Notes
<b>Safety</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supported or undermined the physical and/or social emotional safety among those they encountered?</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dana was an upstander (which is something we want students to be)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Progressive for his time and wasn't popular because he advocated for the safety of marginalized people</li> </ul>
<b>Student-Centered</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who appreciated the individual differences- needs and strengths- of those they encountered?</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integrity</li> <li>Determination (went through 2 years on the boat, effort to work hard)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disparaging comments about the Mexican people and considering our community and population, this would be concerning</li> </ul>	
<b>Future Ready</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supports or undermines the positive views and practices Wiseburn strives to teach students to successfully function in our ever-changing world?</i>			
<b>Community and Collaboration (DEI)</b> <i>Is this namesake representative of a person who supports or undermines efforts for everyone in a community to be heard, be respected, and feel seen? Does this namesake promote or inhibit a feeling of pride?</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sense of justice</li> </ul>		
<b>Organizational Strength</b> <i>How does this namesake support or undermine the assertions for what WUSD stands for?</i>			

**Are there any other factors to consider that were not outlined above? If so, explain.**

- Dana seems like a somewhat random figure to choose for our school
- What was his association to our area?
- Consideration of woman for our namesake
- There's room for some connection for our students (education being a savior, immigration to California)
- Collecting student input should be considered during this process
  - Want the student body to play a significant role in this process. Is there a way for this to be part of a curriculum?
- Some of our families do not come from the privilege and class that Dana came from and might not be relatable for many of our families
- Wonder if renaming is happening in vacuum or if this is a collective decision for our district
- Maybe a plus of keeping Dana is that history is there and likelihood of something popping up in his history and needing to be renamed is very low
- If we consider geography, less chance of controversy
- Renaming after a person can be risky and comes with a lot of responsibility: Will something come up later? Baggage?
- Question: financial implication and logistical implications of renaming?
- Review the rough timeline for renaming

**What is the recommendation from the group (based on majority rule) for this school to be considered for renaming?**

<i>Is Richard Henry Dana someone who represents WUSD's values?</i> -Lack of inclusivity (Mexican people in California) and superiority stance would not represent WUSD values and a large part of our community. -Dana would not represent inclusivity for many of our families	<i>Do you recommend that R.H. Dana Middle School be renamed?</i> Yes Considerations: If we are doing it, we need to invest and do it thoroughly. If it is a large time and financial impact, we might consider our other commitments ( ie academics, safety) and or if we can incorporate into our curriculum or leverage it into academics and learning opportunities.
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