

FEBRUARY PLENARY

California State Student Association

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CHESS

- **Held virtually on March 13th**
- **Advocacy week from March 14th-18th**
- **Who Is Involved:**
 - **Lobby Corps team**
 - **Our legislators**
- **What Is It?**
 - **The California Higher Education Student Summit (CHESS), currently in its twenty-seventh year, is an annual conference hosted by the Cal State Student Association (CSSA) that empowers students to become change agents in advocating for an accessible, affordable, and quality system of public higher education for all Californians.**
- **<https://calstatestudents.org/involvement/chess-2/>**

AB 1655: STATE HOLIDAYS: JUNETEENTH

- Establishes June 19th as a paid state holiday to commemorate the end of slavery in the United States.
- Provides that employees scheduled to work on the observed Juneteenth date receive a paid day off or holiday pay.
- Notes:
 - On June 17, 2021, President Biden signed the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act into law, establishing June 19th as a federal holiday and making it the first federal holiday since the establishment of Martin Luther King Jr. Day in 1983.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- **The Board approved the suggestions from Legislative Affairs Committee to support amendments to Tittle 5**
 - **Remove the requirement of SAT and ACT exams when applying to the CSU**
- **Vice President of Systemwide Affairs, Fabiola Moreno Ruelas is sitting on a committee that is looking for transfer student's experience**
 - **If you are a transfer student please let Emily and I know that way we can connect y'all**

WRITTEN COMMENT SYSTEM

- It is now up in effect
- To be submitted 5:00pm the Monday before each meeting
- Not intended to replace public comment but instead used to provide students who cannot attend CSSA an opportunity to have their voices heard
- Quick review of how to access written comment



IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS

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