



## CITY OF OAKLAND

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**TO:** City Council Members

**FROM:** Office of the Mayor

**DATE:** January 28, 2026

**RE:** Appointments to the Head Start Advisory Board

The Mayor's Office respectfully requests that the City Council consider appointments to the Head Start Advisory Board to fill existing vacancies.

The Head Start Advisory Board plays a critical role in supporting Oakland's Head Start programs by providing community oversight, advising on program planning and policy, and helping ensure high-quality early childhood education and comprehensive services for children and families. The Board's work is essential to maintaining compliance with federal Head Start requirements and advancing equitable outcomes for Oakland's youngest residents.

**Proposed Actions:**

- Appoint two new members to fill vacant seats on the Head Start Advisory Board.
- Reappoint three current members

**Next Steps:**

The Mayor's Office will present appointment recommendations at the next City Council meeting. We appreciate the Council's support in expediting this process and respectfully request prompt

consideration of these appointments to ensure the continued effectiveness of the Head Start Advisory Board.