

PIEDMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 20-2021-22

PRAISING PIEDMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT COVID-19 IMMUNIZATION RATE AND RECOMMENDING THAT THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE, AND THE GOVERNOR TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO REQUIRE COVID-19 IMMUNIZATION AS A PREREQUISITE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AND ATTENDANCE

- WHEREAS,** Alameda County, along with the rest of California and the U.S., is in the midst of a world-wide COVID-19 pandemic that has resulted in over 861,000 U.S. deaths and 5,570,000 worldwide deaths to date; and
- WHEREAS,** the paramount responsibility of the Board of Education (Board) of the Piedmont Unified School District (PUSD) is to provide for the health and safety of its students and staff; and
- WHEREAS,** the Piedmont Unified School District's goal, shared by the Board of Education, administrative team, teachers and staff is to keep our schools and community as safe as possible for in-person instruction; and
- WHEREAS,** the overwhelming scientific evidence has established that the now available COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective, and recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for all, except in the case of children under 4 years old and certain others; and
- WHEREAS,** District policies, education, outreach, and programs, as directed and developed by a courageous Board of Education, administration, teachers, staff and community volunteers helped over 97% of students in the Piedmont Unified School District provide proof of vaccination against COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS,** the Piedmont Unified School District believes that students benefit exponentially more from an in-person educational experience than an Independent Study Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Piedmont Unified School District does hereby find and orders that:

1. There exists a health emergency that requires further action to safeguard students and staff against risks of infection, illness, hospitalization and death from COVID-19.
2. The California Department of Public Health, Alameda County Department of Public Health, California State Legislature, and Governor take immediate action to add COVID-19 to the list of required immunizations as found in Health and Safety Code 120335; 17 CCR 6025, Education Code or any other applicable statute to ensure the health and safety of students and ensure the continuation of in-person learning for all students.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following vote this 26th day of January 2022:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

I certify that the above Resolution was adopted and passed by the Board of Education on the date indicated above. I further certify that the agenda with this item for action was posted as required by law.

Randall Booker
Secretary, Piedmont Unified School District
Board of Education
Alameda County, State of California