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SACRAMENTO COUNTY ANNOUNCES VACCINATION ELIGIBILITY FOR K-12 EDUCATORS AND CHILDCARE SECTOR

Vaccinations will begin on Tuesday, February 16

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ELK GROVE, Calif. – February 12, 2021 – In coordination with the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE), our 13 local school districts, private school entities, Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH), and Healthcare partners, we will begin vaccinating educators on Tuesday, February 16. While this is a critical first step in our efforts to get schools reopened, we must keep in mind that access to vaccinations will depend on the availability of vaccine doses. We are hopeful that as allocated doses increase, our ability to vaccinate all eligible parties will move more quickly.

 "Vaccinating our educators and childcare providers is an important step in the effort to fight the COVID-19 pandemic and help return our communities back to their normal lives." Said Sacramento County Public Health Officer Dr. Olivia Kasirye "While the effort will be slow, every person that gets vaccinated is a step in the right direction."

Eligibility

At this time, individuals **employed in Sacramento County** who meet one of the criteria below are eligible to schedule an appointment to be vaccinated:

- All staff in preschool, elementary, middle, and high schools
- All formal and informal childcare workers, including day care providers
- Any other workers involved in child and/or student care, including school bus drivers and monitors, crosswalk guards, etc.
- All staff in educational support services and administration

"Vaccinations are an important layer of safety for our educators. We are grateful to Sacramento County Public Health for collaborating on an efficient system to get vaccinations to all of our staff members," said David W. Gordon, Sacramento County Superintendent of Schools.

Due to limited vaccine supply, colleges, universities, post-secondary education facilities, and technical and trade schools will become eligible at a future date.

Appointments will be required. SCPH will provide appointment portals directly to school districts and childcare providers to assist with appointment scheduling.

For more information about COVID-19, vaccines and testing, visit the Sacramento County COVID-19 Website.

About the Elk Grove Unified School District

The Elk Grove Unified School District (EGUSD) is the fifth-largest school district in California located in southern Sacramento County. EGUSD covers 320 square miles and includes 67 schools: 42 elementary schools, nine middle schools, nine high schools, five alternative education schools, an adult school, one charter school and a virtual academy. Offering a multitude of educational programs, including over 70 career-themed academies and pathways within 15 industry sectors, we prepare our students for college and career by supporting them with the means to be creative problem solvers; self-aware, self-reliant, and self-disciplined; technically literate; effective communicators and collaborators; and engaged in the community as individuals with integrity. We integrate rigorous academics with career-based learning and real world workplace experiences and ensure that *Every Student is Learning, in Every Classroom, in Every Subject, Every Day to Prepare College, Career and Life Ready Graduates.*

For more information about the Elk Grove Unified School District, please visit www.egusd.net and follow us @ElkGroveUnified on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, YouTube and Eventbrite.

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