

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION No. 2468-1

WHEREAS, the month of August is National Immunization Awareness Month, an annual observance highlighting the importance of children receiving recommended vaccines throughout life, and receiving required vaccines as they enter the public school system; and

WHEREAS, immunizations protect against serious diseases. Vaccination information, including the appropriate immunizations by age level, can be found on the <u>California Department of Public Health (CDPH)</u> <u>website</u>. The CDPH encourages not delaying getting care for any health condition, including vaccinations, well-child checkups, and vision and dental appointments; and

WHEREAS, many students begin their school year in August, the CDPH encourages families and caregivers to use this time as a reminder to ensure that all immunizations, physicals, and vision and dental health checkups are up-to-date so children are "school-ready" through its <u>Shots for School initiative</u>; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) advocates for the physical and mental wellbeing of all students, families, and staff through various programs and initiatives such as <u>Steps to Success</u>. This initiative builds awareness about required and recommended immunizations needed for children entering public school, and young children entering early learning programs, and/or childcare programs; and

WHEREAS, the SCCOE acknowledges the importance of continuing to take care of one's health and medical conditions and recognizes that the academic success of youth is strongly linked with their health; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools do hereby adopt this resolution recognizing the month of August as National Immunization Awareness Month.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the County Board of Education at a meeting held on July 16, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES: Jessica Speiser, Raeena Lari, Don Rocha, Maimona Afzal Berta, Jorge Pacheco, Tara Sreekrishnan NOES: none ABSTAIN: none ABSENT: Victoria Chon

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Maimona Afzal Berta, President Santa Clara County Board of Education

Dr. David M. Toston, Sr. County Superintendent of Schools