

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION No. 2322-1

WHEREAS, the month of August is National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM); and

WHEREAS, this annual observance highlights the importance of getting recommended vaccines throughout your life as well as being "school ready" with up-to-date vaccines; and

WHEREAS, on-time immunizations protect against serious diseases such as whooping cough, cancers caused by HPV, pneumonia, and the coronavirus. Vaccination information, including the appropriate immunizations by age level, can be found on the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) encourages not delaying getting care for any health condition including vaccinations, well-child checkups, and dental appointments; and

WHEREAS, many students begin their school year in August, the CDC encourages parents and caregivers to use this time as a reminder to ensure that all immunizations, physicals, and dental health checkups are up-to-date; and

WHEREAS, by the time a student is school-aged (4-6 years old) the CDC recommends the following immunizations: Hepatitis A (2nd dose); Hepatitis B (3rd dose); Diphtheria, Tetanus, and whooping cough (pertussis) (DTaP) (5th dose); Polio (IPV) (4th dose); Measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) (2nd dose); Chickenpox (Varicella) (2nd dose); Influenza (Flu) (every year); COVID-19 (two or three dose primary series and booster); and

WHEREAS, the CDPH recommends that families and caregivers start with their healthcare provider and/or local pharmacy when seeking immunizations. County Social Services and community health centers are also available options. The County of Santa Clara Public Health Department has a <u>Find a Clinic Tool</u> available on its website; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) advocates for the physical and mental well-being of all students, families, and staff; and

WHEREAS, the SCCOE acknowledges the importance of continuing to take care of your health and medical conditions and the CDC acknowledges that the academic success of America's youth is strongly linked with their health, and is one way to predict adult health outcomes; and

WHEREAS, the SCCOE and the CDC recognize the critical role schools play in promoting the health and safety of young people and helping them establish lifelong healthy behaviors; and

THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools recognize the month of August as National Immunization Awareness Month.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the County Board of Education at a meeting held on July 19, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES: President Chon, Vice President Sreekrishnan, and Trustees Berta, Di Salvo, Lari, Mah, and Rocha

NOES: none ABSTAIN: none ABSENT: none

Victoria Chon, President

Santa Clara County Board of Education

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County Superintendent of Schools