

# Health and Safety Update

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# Every system is perfectly designed to get the results that it gets

# SCUSD CORE VALUE

We recognize that our system is inequitable by design and we vigilantly work to confront and interrupt inequities that exist to level the playing field and provide opportunities for everyone to learn, grow and reach their greatness.

# SCUSD GUIDING PRINCIPLE

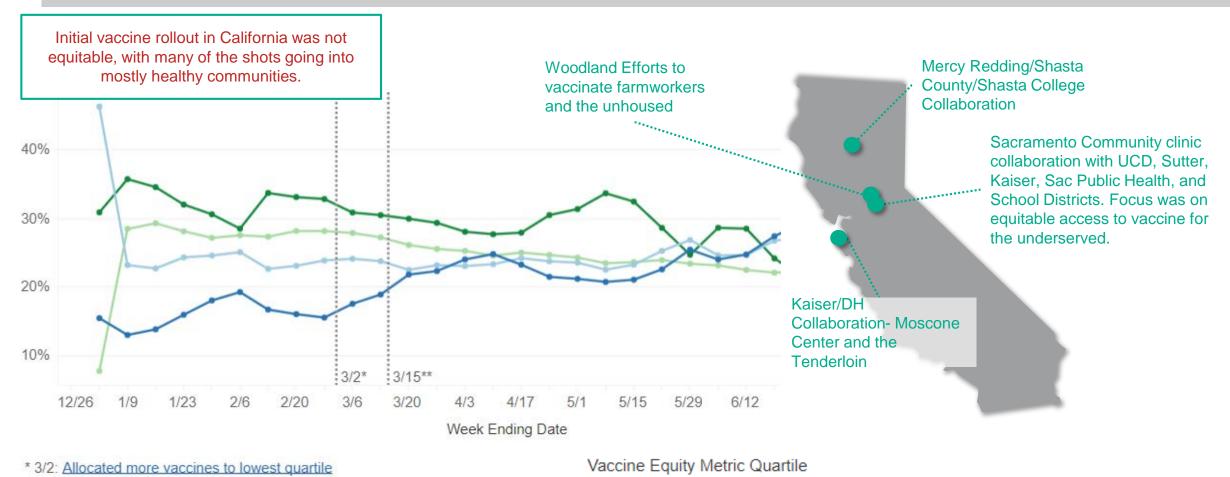
All students are given an equal opportunity to graduate with the greatest number of postsecondary choices from the widest array of options



### **Starting Slow to Go Fast**

\*\* 3/15: Started vaccinating individuals at higher risk

Media was widely reporting communities of color disproportionately impacted by the effects of COVID-19 so Dignity Health reached out to community partners to begin a grassroots effort to deliver vaccinations to hard to reach communities. We focused on smaller clinics first to ground our operational foundation, then scaled up to 2,000 doses per clinic in some cases.



Less Healthy

More Healthy -

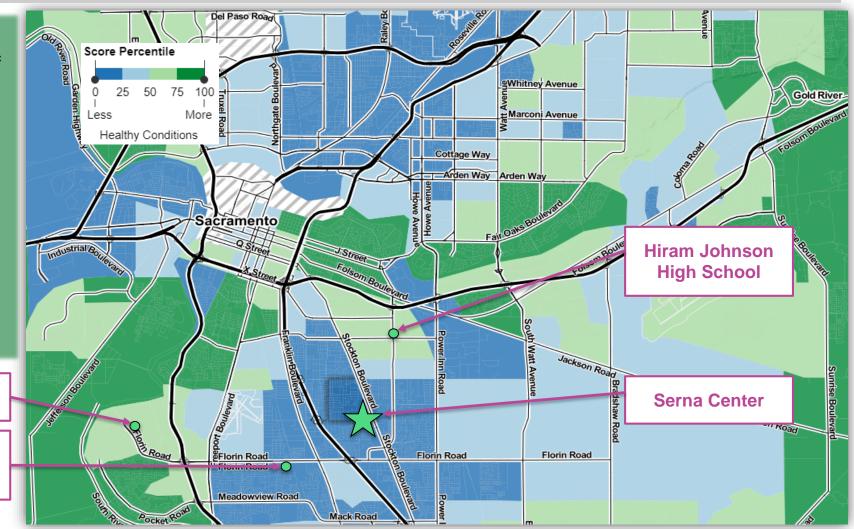
### When Partners with an Egalitarian Mission Align

In order to promote consistent messaging to the community, Dignity Health entered a long term partnership with the Sacramento City Unified School District to provide consistent vaccination clinics to our community. Selected SCUSD-DH vaccine clinics were situated in the least healthy geographies (quartile 1 & 2) of the CA Healthy Places Index.

Sacramento City Unified School District serves a student population composed of 53.7% Black and Hispanic students.

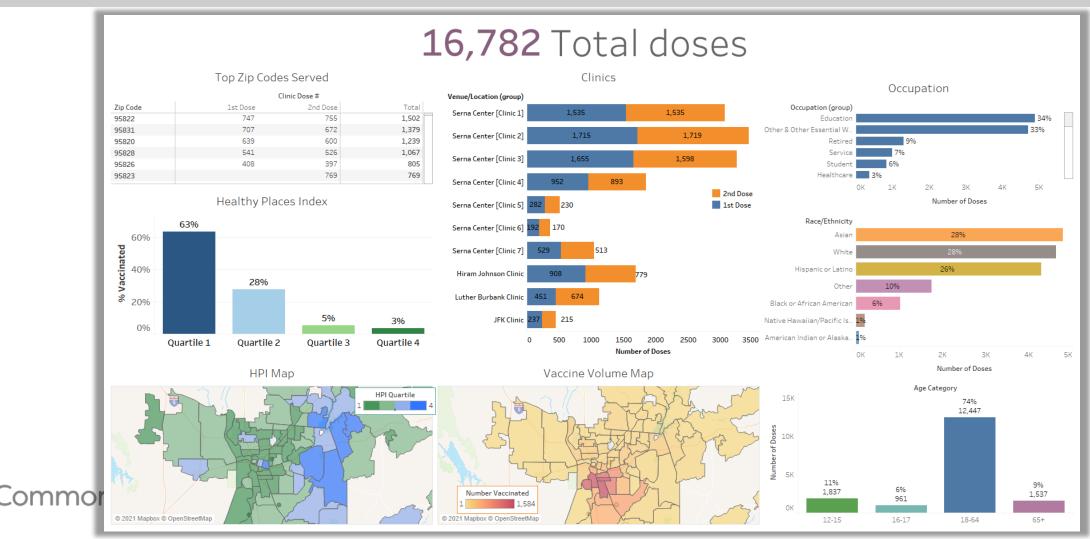
	SCUSD Student
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Populaiton	
White	18.0%
Hispanic	39.8%
Asian	19.1%
Black	13.9%
NHPI	2.1%
AI/AN	0.6%
Other	6.4%

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### **Measuring Our Impact**

Over the duration of 21 weeks, Dignity Health distributed 30,969 doses of the COVID-19 vaccines. Clinics hosted in partnership with SCUSD attributed 16,782 (54%) doses. Our partnership resulted in vaccinating the most vulnerable Sacramento Area residents, including a high percentage of essential workers, all residing in low HPI geographies.



### DH SUCSD Partnership Resulted High Turnout of Minorities

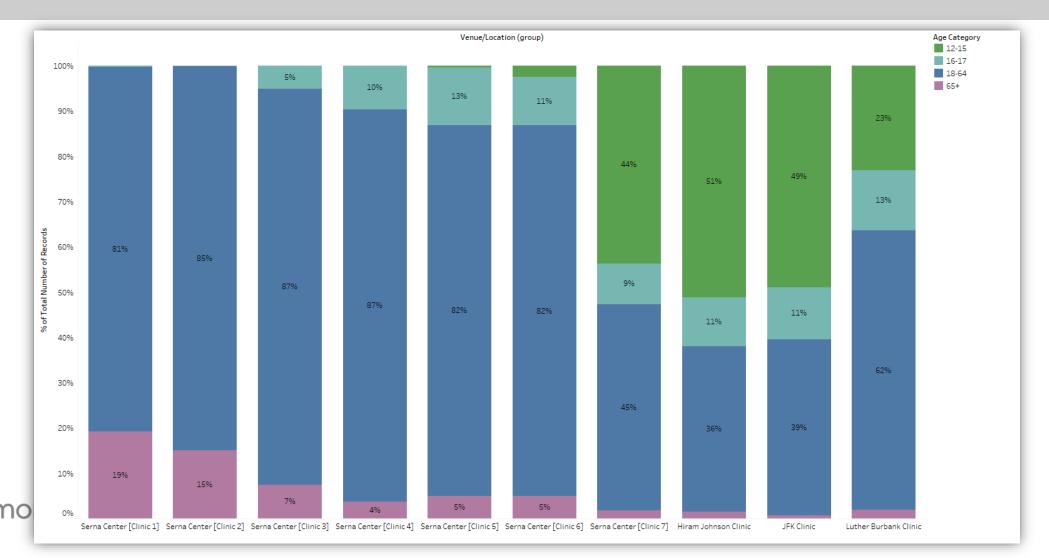
Clinics hosted in partnership with SCUSD served an ethnically and racially diverse community, reflective of SCUSD's student and parent population, which is shown in demographic summary of patients vaccinated.



### Once Eligible, Teenagers Turned Out in High Proportions

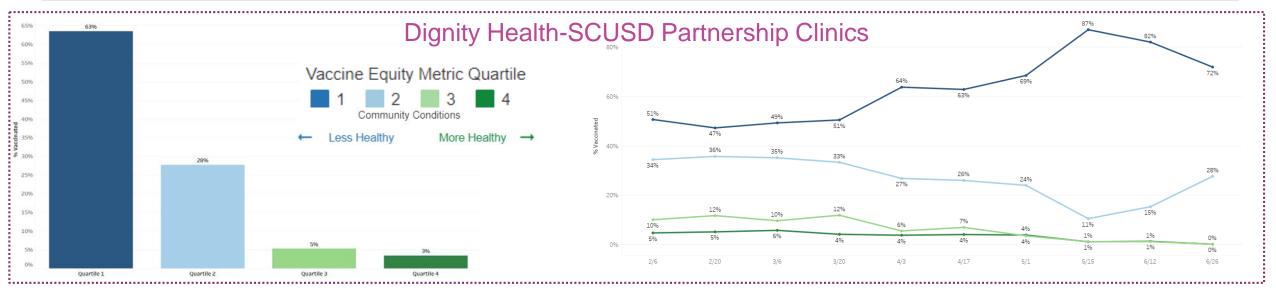
Clinics hosted in partnership with SCUSD contributed to a high proportion of doses among young adults and adolescent.

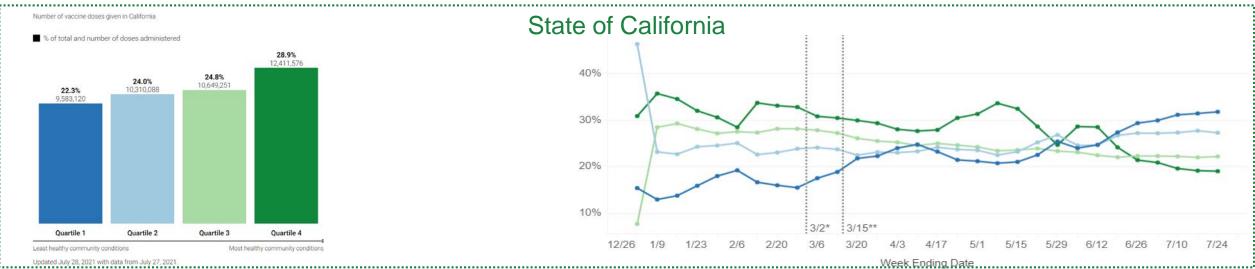
Outreach to SCUSD parents and students proved crucial in our goals to vaccinate younger populations.



### Vaccinations from our Partnership were More Targeted than the State's

Clinics hosted in partnership with SCUSD contributed to a higher proportion of doses among people living in least healthy communities (quartile 1 & 2) compared to all clinics in the state of California.





# Latest CDPH COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools

"The foundational principle of this guidance is that all students must have access to safe and full in-person instruction and to as much instructional time as possible."



## Importance of School Reopening

"Prolonged school closures are increasing stress-related physical & mental health issues in our children. Children thrive on in-person learning & schools are important settings for buffering the stresses brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic. Our schools have the key tools to reopen safely for students, teachers & staff. Let's work together to reopen our schools safely so that our children can thrive."



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## Science for Safely Reopening Schools

#### CA Safe Schools for All/Parent Page

- Children are less likely to get and spread COVID-19
- Schools experience less spread
- Community and social gathering experience more spread
- The vaccine is the best protection
- Masks, ventilation, handwashing, staying home when sick
  - Layered approach
- COVID-19 Testing in Schools is Important

### **Public Health Order**

Per the California state public health order issued July 11, 2021 -

"All individuals must continue to follow the requirements in the current COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for K-12 Schools in California, the current COVID-19 Public Health Guidance for Child Care Programs and Providers, and the portions of the current K-12 Schools guidance that have been made explicitly applicable to day camps and other supervised youth activities."

# Current Reality COVID-19/Sacramento County

- The B.1.617.2 (Delta) variant is highly transmissible
  - CDC study concludes universal masking by all (regardless of vaccination) indoors is needed to slowing the spread of Delta
- 25.6 new cases of COVID-19 per day (case rate)
- 5.6% positivity rate
- 95823, 95828 most impacted zip codes by new COVID cases (48% vaxxed)
- Sac County Vaccinations:
  - O Doses administered 1,568,680
  - Partial vaccinations 808,387
  - Full vaccinations 760,293
  - Younger age groups continue to lag behind state avg.



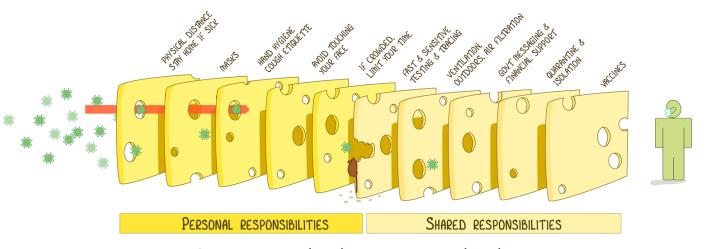
## **CDPH Guidance: Layers of Safety**

The Swiss Cheese Respiratory Pandemic Defense recognizes that no single intervention is perfect at preventing the spread of the coronavirus - each layer) has holes, but multiple layers improve success

THE SWISS CHEESE RESPIRATORY VIRUS PANDEMIC DEFENCE

RECOGNISING THAT NO SINGLE INTERVENTION IS PERFECT AT PREVENTING SPREAD

- Vaccination
- Universal Face Masking
- Adequate ventilation
- Stay Home When Sick
- COVID-19 testing
- Contact Tracing
- Hand Hygiene
- Disinfecting Procedures
- Vaccination Verification
- COVID-19 Safety Planning T



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MULTIPLE LAYERS IMPROVE SUCCESS.

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### **Vaccinations**

- FREE SCUSD/Serna Center COVID Vaccine Clinic Every Wednesday (Aug 3 - Sept 8) from 4-7pm
- Register at My Turn <a href="https://myturn.ca.gov/">https://myturn.ca.gov/</a>



22,276 vaccinations to date

- COVID Vaccines are VERY effective
- COVID Vaccines are SAFE they cannot cause Covid-19 disease because they are not made with any part of a Covid-19 virus
- COVID Vaccines can eliminate COVID-19 if enough of us get vaccinated
- Vaccination decreases the chances of severe illness and death from COVID-19
- Allows individuals to continue attending work/school if exposed to COVID19 and remain symptom free



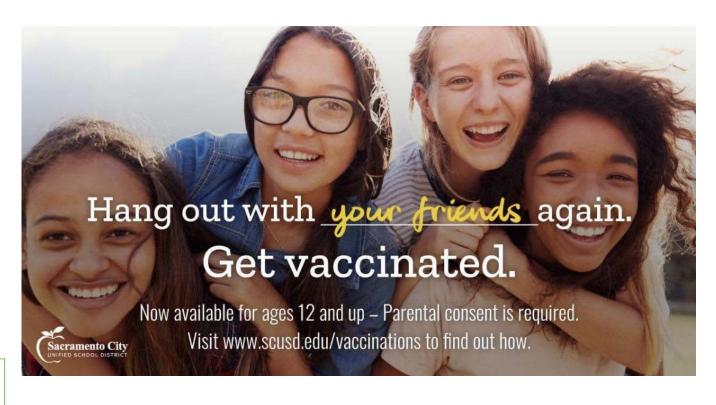
### **Vaccinations**

# **COVID-19 Vaccination Information**

**Including SCUSD Clinics** 

SCUSD continues to host a series of vaccination clinics with Dignity Health, University of California Davis and other health partners to do our part in stopping the spread of COVID in our community. Upcoming clinics are listed below.





August 11, 2021 - 4:00pm - 7:00pm

## Community COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic for Ages 12+

@ SCUSD Serna Center







- <u>Everyone</u> is required to wear a face covering at all times when indoors, including on transportation, regardless of vaccination status
- SCUSD will provide free face masks for all staff, students and essential visitors
- Exceptions:
  - Masks may be removed outdoors for all individuals where there is outdoor spacing
  - Masks may be removed when eating & physical distancing
  - Face covering exemptions are very rare
- CDPH will continue to assess conditions and will determine whether to update mask requirements or recommendations no later than November 1, 2021

# Physical Distancing (when unmasked)

- With universal face masking, <u>distancing criteria is no longer required in schools</u>, however all individuals should maintain as much physical distance as practicably possible
- During mealtimes, masks will be removed to eat or drink. Where cafeterias or group dining spaces must be used, physical distancing will be maximized
- Specific situations, such as during speech therapy, may also require masks to be removed. In these situations physical distancing should be practiced as much as possible

### Ventilation

CDPH Guidance on Ventilation of Indoor Environments and Ventilation and Filtration to Reduce Long-Range Airborne Transmission of COVID-19 and Other Respiratory Infections: Considerations for Reopened Schools

- Outdoor ventilation
- Ventilation system filters should be MERV-rated at MERV 13 or better.
- In room portable air cleaners for classrooms with non-functioning or poorly functioning ventilation systems



### **Stay Home Sick**

- All staff & students must stay home if <u>symptomatic</u>
- Staying home when sick with COVID-19 is essential to keep COVID-19 infections out of schools and prevent spread to others
- Symptoms include: Fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea
- If sick at school individuals will be offered COVID-19 testing and be sent home





### Return to School/Work Guidelines

#### **Return Guidelines:**

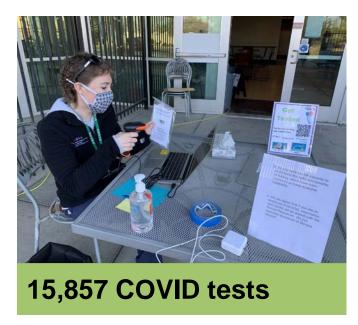
- At least 24 hours with no fever (without taking medicine)
  - AND
- Symptoms have improved
  - AND
- You have a negative COVID test
  - $\circ$  OR
- A doctor has provided a note releasing back to work/school
  - o OR
- At least 10 days have passed since the day the symptoms first appeared

## **COVID-19 Testing: Free & Voluntary**

- CDPH Supported COVID Testing Valencia Branch Laboratory & CDPH partners
- Onsite COVID-19 testing
  - School Site Care Rooms
  - Serna Center Monday Friday from 12:30-3 p.m.
- Two types of tests
  - PCR Tests results in 24-48 hrs
  - Rapid Antigen test/BinaxNOW results in 15 min

#### Consent

- Parent/guardian consent is required for students under 13 years old.
- Students 13 years and older may register themselves and provide consent for testing.



### **Contact Tracing Procedures**

- Districts/schools should have a COVID-19 liaison to assist the local health department with contact tracing and investigation
- Per AB 86 (2021) and California Code Title 17, section 2500, schools are required to report COVID-19 cases to the local public health department

### **Modified Quarantine for STUDENTS**

Students who are face masked with close contact exposure to COVID-19 at school may continue to attend:

Students who are FULLY vaccinated	Students with NO vaccination with indoor masking
Students who provide verification of full vaccination are exempt from quarantine per <u>CDPH</u> .	<ul> <li>Unvaccinated students may continue to attend schools if they:</li> <li>Exhibit no symptoms</li> <li>Continue to wear a required mask</li> </ul>
If students are experiencing symptoms they must stay home for 10 days or provide results of a negative test.	<ul> <li>Test twice weekly over the 10-day period</li> <li>Refrain from extracurricular activities</li> </ul>
Students who must quarantine at home will receive school work to complete independently.	Students who do not consent or adhere to these requirements, or who fail to wear a mask, will be required to quarantine at home for a 10-day period and will receive school work to complete independently.

## Staff/Students exposed to COVID-19

- Staff with close contact exposure to COVID-19 at school or in the community or at work must follow quarantine guidance set forth by Cal/OSHA and CDPH
- Students with close contact exposure in the community must quarantine

Staff/Students who are FULLY vaccinated	Staff/Student with NO vaccination with indoor masking
Staff.students who provide verification of full vaccination are exempt from quarantine per CDPH.	The person must self-quarantine and will be provided guidance
	Refer for COVID-19 testing 5-7 days from the date of exposure
If staff/students are experiencing symptoms they must stay home for 10 days or provide results of a	or immediately if symptoms develop.
negative test.	The most recent CDPH guidance will be followed for quarantine.  Negative test results do not shorten the quarantine for staff
	Shortened quarantine may apply for students who meet specific criteria

### **Isolation Recommendations**

- For those diagnosed with COVID-19, both vaccinated and unvaccinated persons must follow the CDPH Isolation Guidance
- Symptomatic individuals:
  - At least 10 days have passed since symptom onset; AND
  - At least 24 hours have passed since resolution of fever without the use of fever-reducing medications; AND
  - Other symptoms have improved
- Asymptomatic individuals:
  - At least 10 days have passed since the date of the diagnostic test and no symptoms have developed





- Teach and reinforce washing hands, avoiding contact with one's eyes, nose, and mouth, and covering coughs and sneezes among students and staff.
- All students and staff should wash/sanitize hands frequently throughout the day, for example before/after eating, recess, or using the bathroom
- If soap & water are not available use alcohol-based hand sanitizer (greater than 60%)
- Ensure adequate healthy hygiene supplies are available, including hand soap, hand sanitizer, tissues, no touch trash-cans, face coverings



### **Disinfecting Procedures**

- In general, cleaning once a day is usually enough to sufficiently remove potential virus that may be on surfaces. Disinfect high-touch areas daily
- If a facility has had a sick person with COVID-19 within the last 24 hours,
   clean AND disinfect the spaces occupied by that person during that time

### **Vaccination Verification**

- To implement prevention strategies by vaccination status (testing, contact tracing efforts, and quarantine and isolation practices), CDC vaccine verification recommendations will be followed
- The protocol will comply with relevant statutory and regulatory requirements, including Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) statutory and regulatory requirements.
- Policies or practices related to providing or receiving proof of COVID-19 vaccination should comply with all relevant state, tribal, local, or territorial laws and regulations.

# **COVID-19 Safety Planning Transparency Recommendations**

- In order to build trust in the school community and support successful return to school, it is recommended that at a minimum all local educational agencies (LEAs) post a safety plan, communicating the safety measures in place for 2021-22, on the LEA's website and at schools, and disseminate to families in advance of the start of the school year.
  - SCUSD Return to Health Plan serves as the COVID-19 Safety Plan (CSP) for in-person instruction and meets the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA) COVID- 19 Prevention Program (CPP)
  - 21-22 RTH will be posted soon

## **Pending Guidance**

- CDPH will be issuing revised guidance for Athletics & Extracurricular activities, such as band
  - In the meantime, current guidance must be followed
- Return to Health will be revised if/when new guidance is issued or the guidance changes due to evolving conditions
- Principals have been updated on best practices based on current CDPH guidance in our administrator Welcome Back trainings
- We will continue to adapt and make revisions in the guidance we provide to schools based on CDPH and SCPH updates

# Questions & Answers

