



COVID-19 Update

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CDC Updates

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In Sacramento County, California, community level is **Medium**.

COVID-19 Community Levels – Use the Highest Level that Applies to Your Community				
New COVID-19 Cases Per 100,000 people in the past 7 days	Indicators	Low	Medium	High
Fewer than 200	New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total)	<10.0	10.0-19.9	≥20.0
	Percent of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day average)	<10.0%	10.0-14.9%	≥15.0%
200 or more	New COVID-19 admissions per 100,000 population (7-day total)	NA	<10.0	≥10.0
	Percent of staffed inpatient beds occupied by COVID-19 patients (7-day average)	NA	<10.0%	≥10.0%

CDC metrics:

1. New COVID-19 Hospital Admissions per 100,000 (7 days) } **11.8**
2. COVID inpatient bed utilization } **9.90%**
3. COVID-19 cases per 100,000 (7 days) } **114.43**

CDPH Updates



CALIFORNIA SMARTER

THE NEXT PHASE OF CALIFORNIA'S COVID-19 RESPONSE



SHOTS

Vaccines are the most powerful weapon against hospitalizations and serious illness.

MASKS

Properly worn masks with good filtration help slow the spread of COVID-19 or other respiratory viruses.

AWARENESS

We will continue to stay aware of how COVID-19 is spreading, evolving variants, communicate clearly how people should protect themselves, and coordinate our state and local government response.

READINESS

COVID-19 is not going away and we need to be ready with the tools, resources, and supplies we will need to quickly respond and keep public health and the health care system well prepared.

TESTING

Getting the right type of tests - PCR or antigen - to where they are needed most. Testing will help California minimize the spread of COVID-19.

EDUCATION

California will continue to work to keep schools open and children safely in classrooms for in-person instruction.

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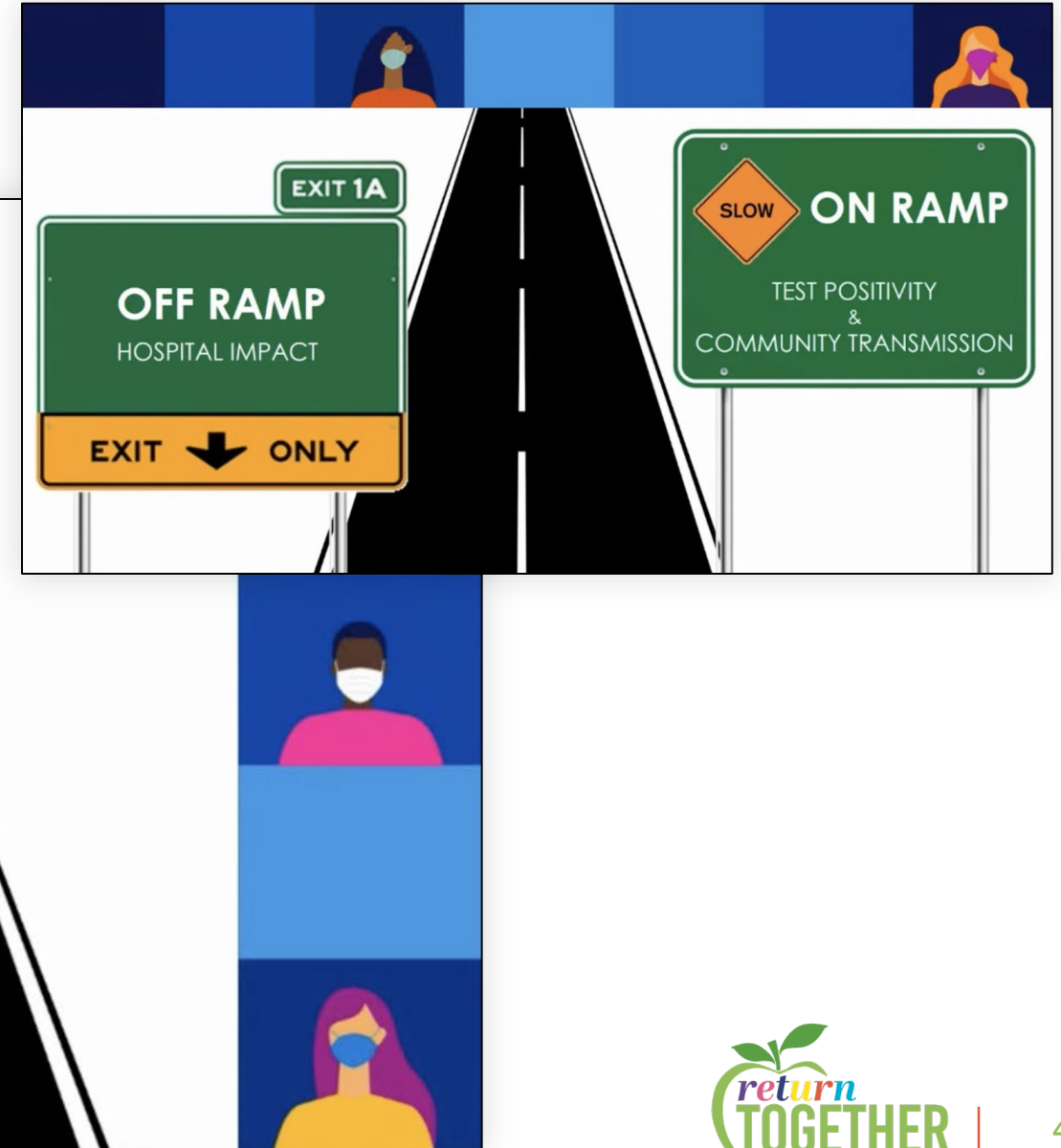
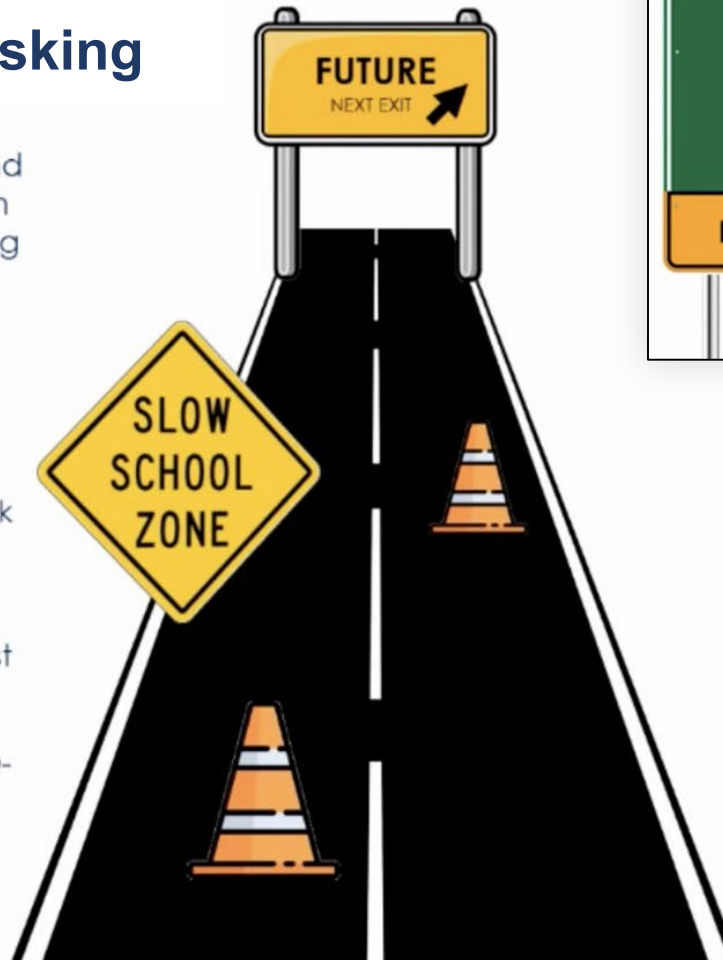
Evolving and improving treatments will become increasingly available and critical as a tool to save lives.

CDPH Updates

Future of school masking

We committed to coming back on February 28 to reassess the data and the conditions and determine when the statewide indoor school masking requirements can be changed.

- Safe in-person instruction is essential, particularly for vulnerable populations
- We must ensure that there is low risk of catching COVID-19 in school for students and staff
- We must remain prepared to adjust with conditions of the virus
- We will continue to provide COVID-19 mitigation resources to schools including testing



CDPH Updates

Masking guidance in California

NEW GUIDANCE EFFECTIVE MARCH 12

	REQUIRED	STRONGLY RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	OPTIONAL
Vaccinated & Unvaccinated				
	Public Indoor (Effective end of day February 28)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Schools & Childcare (Effective end of day March 11)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Health Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Long-Term Care	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Jails & Prisons	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

NOTE: Locals may have additional requirements beyond the state requirements based on local conditions including community vaccine rates or vaccination rates in schools and childcare facilities.

Masks required in the following settings:

- On public transit and in transportation hubs or any other area that provides transportation
- Emergency shelters and cooling and heating centers
- Healthcare settings
- State and local correctional facilities and detention centers
- Homeless shelters
- Long Term Care Settings & Adult and Senior Care Facilities

SCUSD Masking Update

- Carefully reviewing CDPH revision to mask guidance effective March 12
 - Masks remain required for the time being
 - Masks are readily and widely available in all school and district locations
- Consulting with Sacramento County Public Health
- Reviewing Cal OSHA emergency temporary standards and understanding insurance implications
- Reviewing current district policies, practices, procedures and standards
- Recognizing there are strong and differing views on masking
- Mental health impact of unmasking
 - Transitions and change is hard for all of us - need to build readiness for change
 - We may experience different and conflicting feelings about easing of restrictions
 - Respecting each other's choices about masking and other mitigation measures
 - The need for masks may come and go, like the need for warm jackets in winter

Potential Legislation

- **AB 1797** (Weber, D-San Diego) - Immunization Registry: This bill would update the California Immunization Registry to improve access for local educational agencies that use the registry to implement school-based vaccine requirements. While currently a placeholder bill, it will be amended at a later date to effectuate these changes to law.
- **AB 1993** (Wicks, D-Oakland) - Employment: COVID-19 Vaccination Requirements: This bill would require an employer to ensure employees or independent contractors provide proof that they have been vaccinated against COVID-19. This bill would exempt any individual who is ineligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine due to a medical condition, disability, or because of a sincerely held religious belief
- **SB 866** (Wiener, D-San Francisco) - Minors: Vaccine Consent: This bill would permit minors 12 and older to get vaccinated without parental consent for any vaccine approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration that meet the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- **SB 871** (Pan, D-Sacramento) - Public Health: Immunizations: This bill would add the COVID-19 vaccine to the list of compulsory vaccines required for students to attend school. The bill would also repeal Health and Safety Code Section 120338, which is the statute that requires any vaccine mandate enacted via the regulatory process to include a personal belief exemption.
- **SB 1479** (Pan, D-Sacramento) This bill requires LEAs to develop a COVID-19 testing plan. In addition, if funds are made available, CDPH would be required to continue LEA COVID-19 testing programs that are currently funded by federal resources.

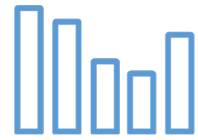
SCUSD Implementation: Summer & 22-23

We can resume some normalcy *and* protect community members who are vulnerable to COVID-19



EQUITY:

- COVID-19 is disproportionately affecting low-income, Latino, Black, Native American and Pacific Islander communities
- Efforts & funding will continue addressing disparities and removing barriers to accessing care, services and supports



METRICS:

- Regional Wastewater Surveillance & genomic sequencing of variants will inform communities (and schools) when mitigation measures should ramp up or decrease
- Monitor hospitalization rates, case rates, county levels (CDC)



HEALTH AIDES:

- Provide site-based testing, health screening, Care Room support, contact tracing support, immunization compliance, and other health related and COVID recovery duties



TESTING:

- School-based testing serves as a critical early warning system
- Site-based testing of symptomatic individuals, surveillance testing as indicated, and provide at-home testing kits as available
- Regional testing centers serving most impacted communities

SCUSD Implementation: Summer & 22-23

Contact Tracing:

- Continue contact tracing to track and stop the spread of COVID
- Focus on layered mitigation measures to keep students in school after an exposure

Masking:

- Targeted and risk-based masking requirements that may be loosened or tightened based on changing conditions
- Maintain ongoing stock of high quality masks for required or voluntary masking

Vaccination:

- School-based vaccine clinics will increase & continue in readiness for the state vaccine mandate for 12+ students
- SCUSD weekly COVID vaccine clinics & School Required IZ Clinic
- Shift to “up-to-date” on vaccinations with emphasis on 5+

Filtration:

- Maintain all increased filtration in school and district buildings

Maintain readiness for the unknown

Board Resolution 3233: Vaccination or Testing

*“That all SCUSD students . . . and staff not yet vaccinated (first or second dose) . . . or are not yet eligible for vaccination, as well as those students and staff with exemptions or conditional admissions, **will be tested** for COVID-19 on a regular routine basis based on public health recommendations for testing cadence, available staffing, and testing resources[.]”*

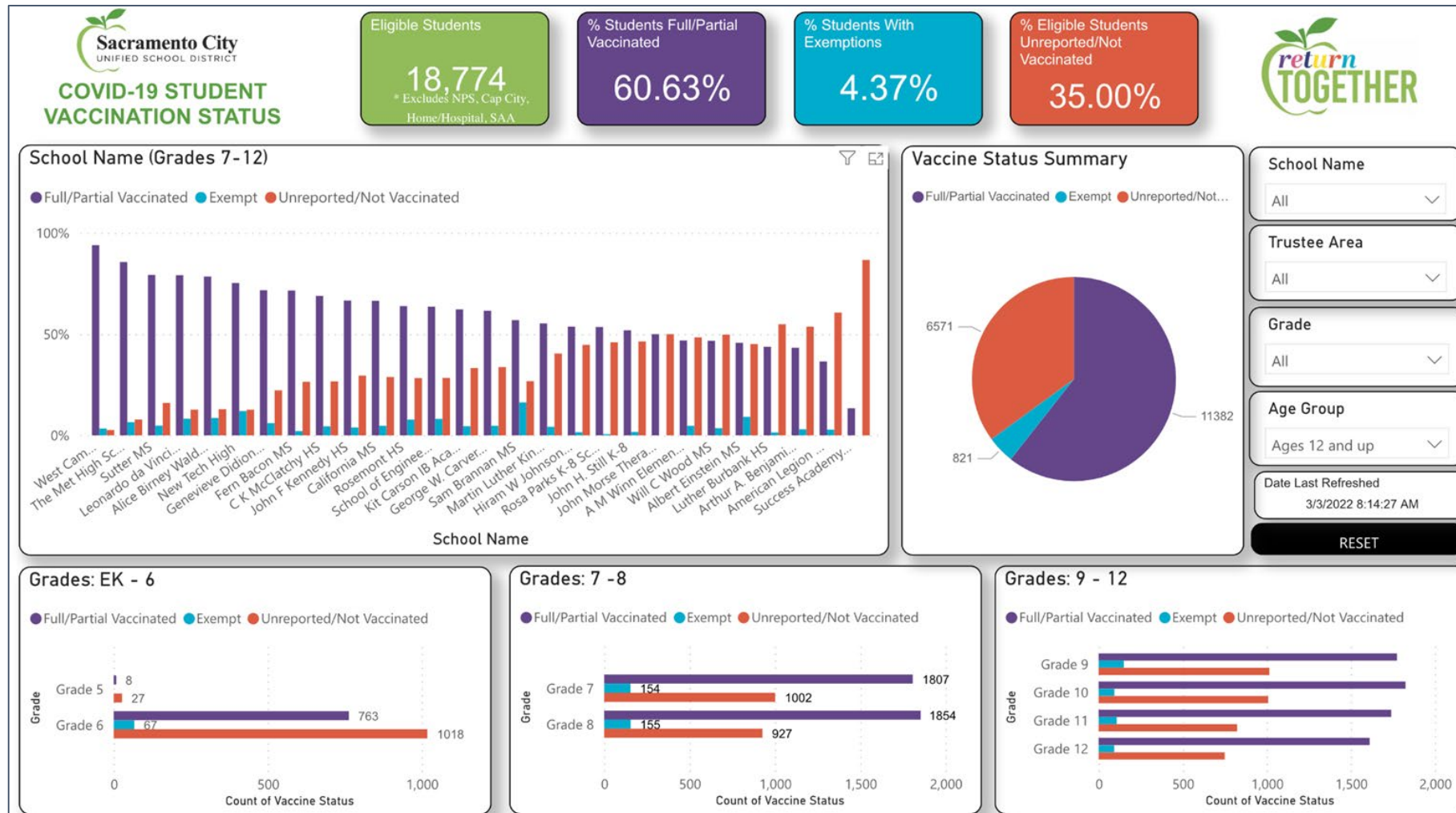
VACCINE

- **Weekly Vaccine Clinics** throughout the district
- **84+ vaccine clinics** to date
- **28,650+ vaccines**
- **Limited access to California Immunization Registry (CAIR)** - COVID vaccine not yet a school required vaccine, therefore not able to access this resources without parent permission

TESTING

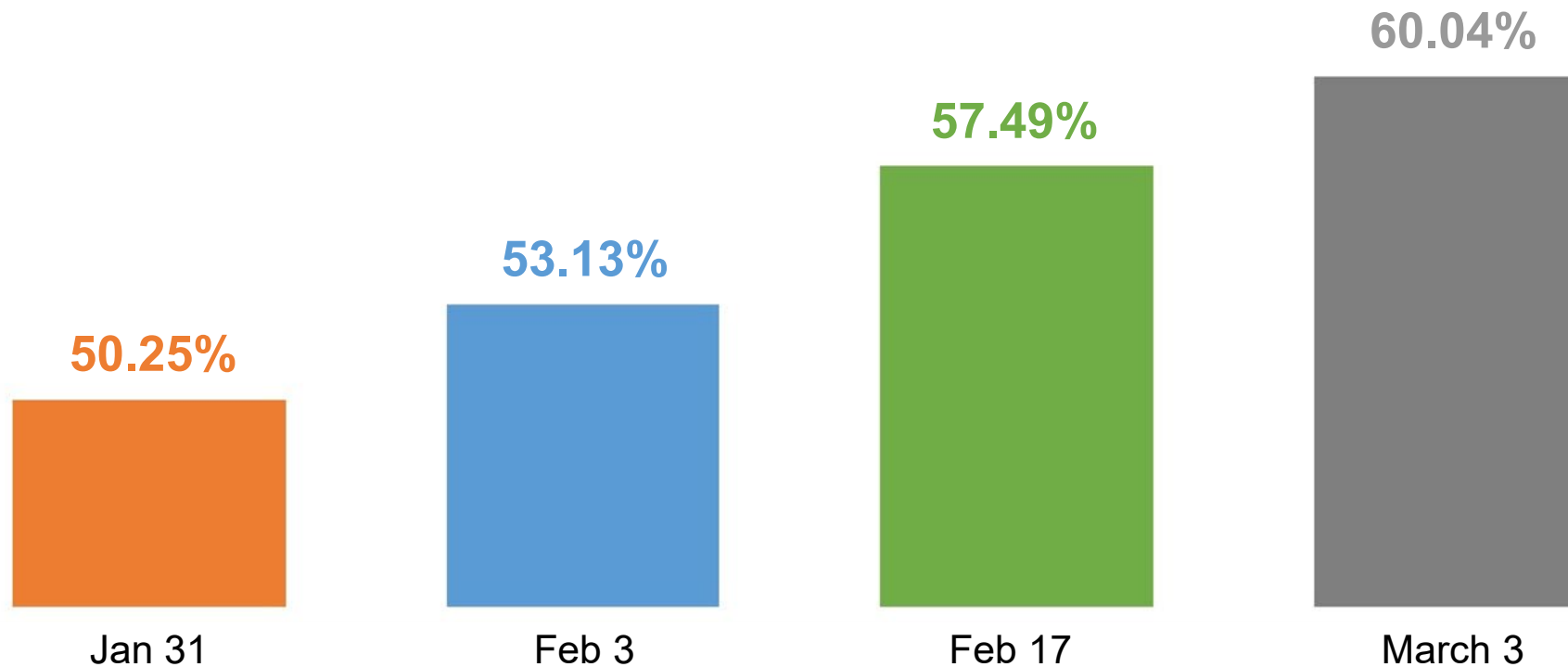
- **Surveillance Testing** at 76+ sites
- **Weekly Testing** based on case rates
- **Free Tests** provided by CDPH
- **At-Home Tests** purchased by SCUSD
- **3 central testing locations**

COVID-19 Student Vaccination Status Dashboard

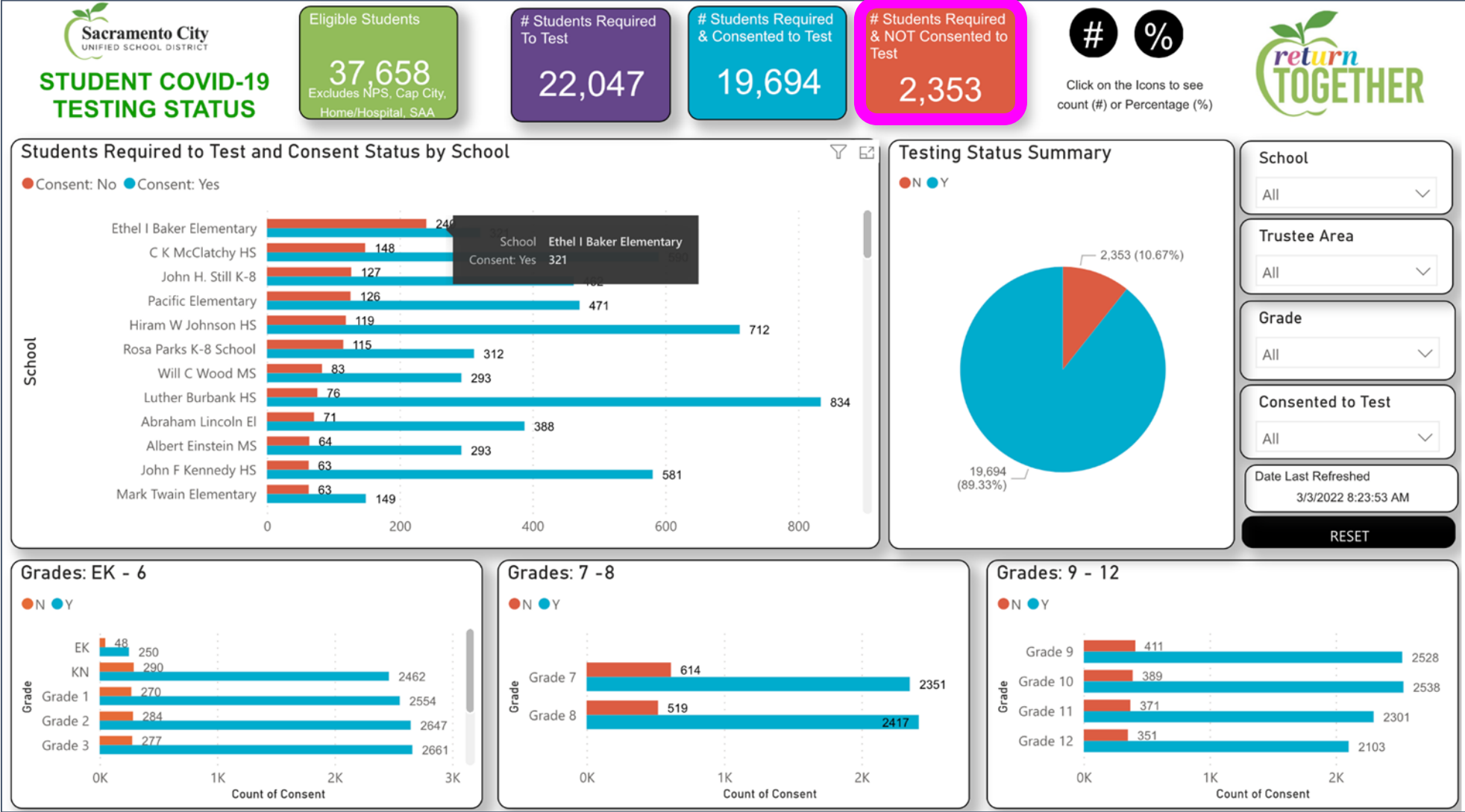


Stay updated as we collect student vaccination data at <https://reopeningdashboard.scusd.edu>.

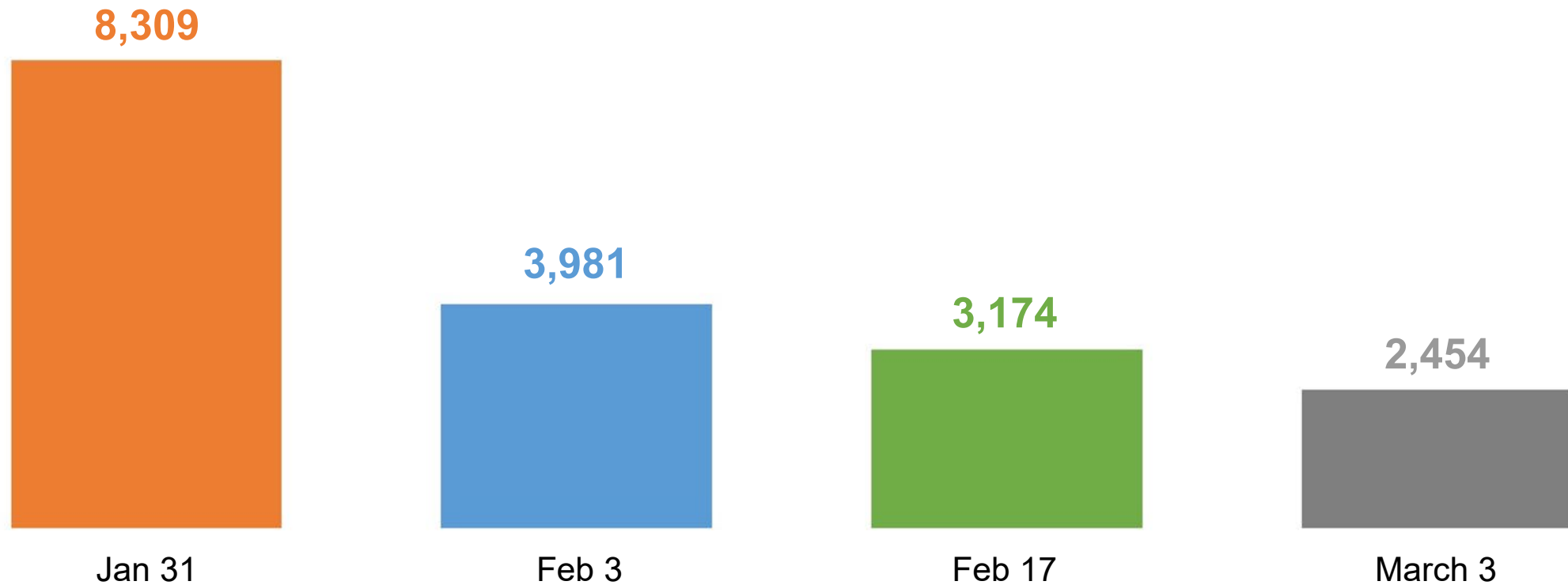
COVID-19 Student Vaccination Progress



COVID-19 Testing Status Dashboard



COVID-19 Testing Consent Progress

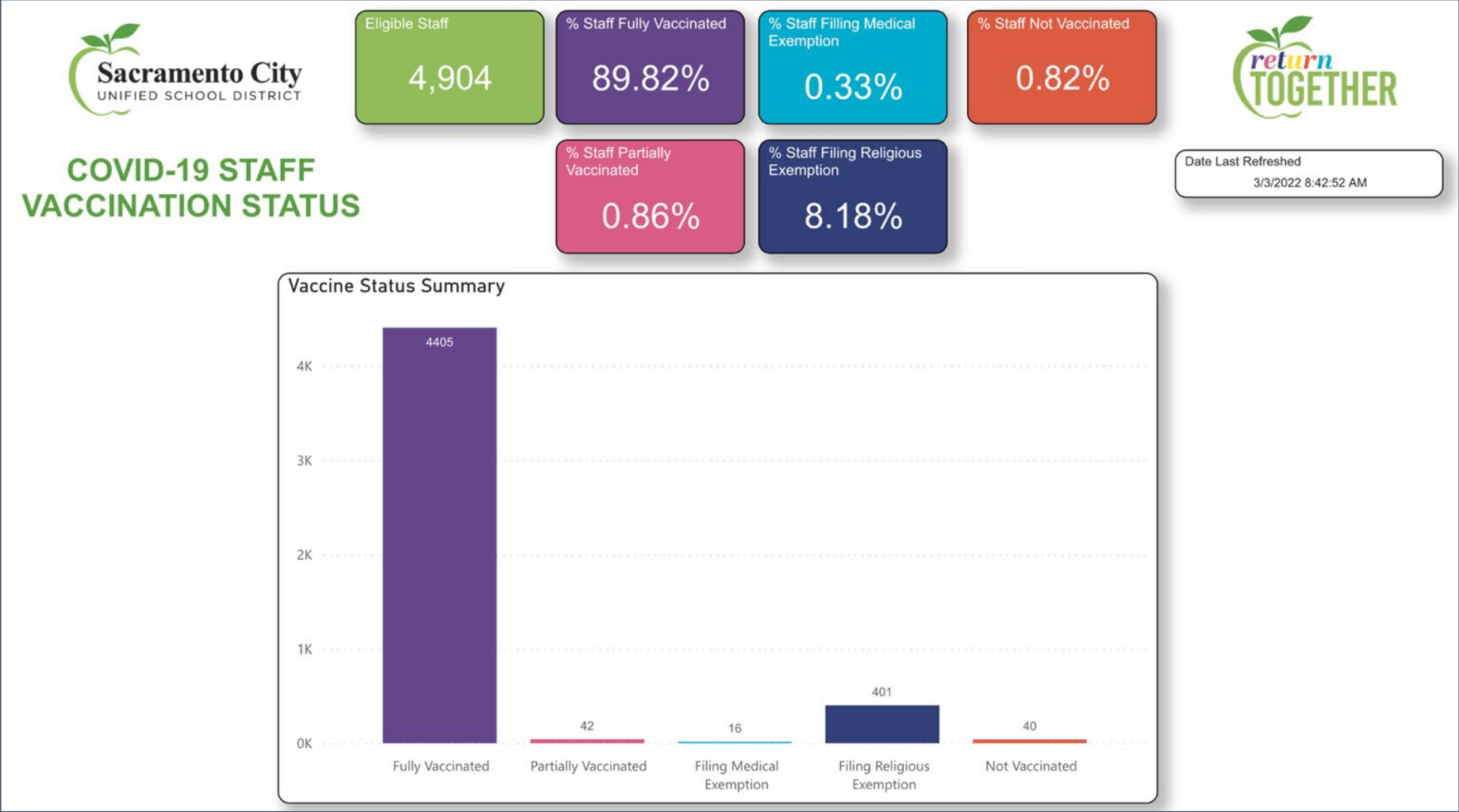


COVID-19 Vaccination/Testing Demographics

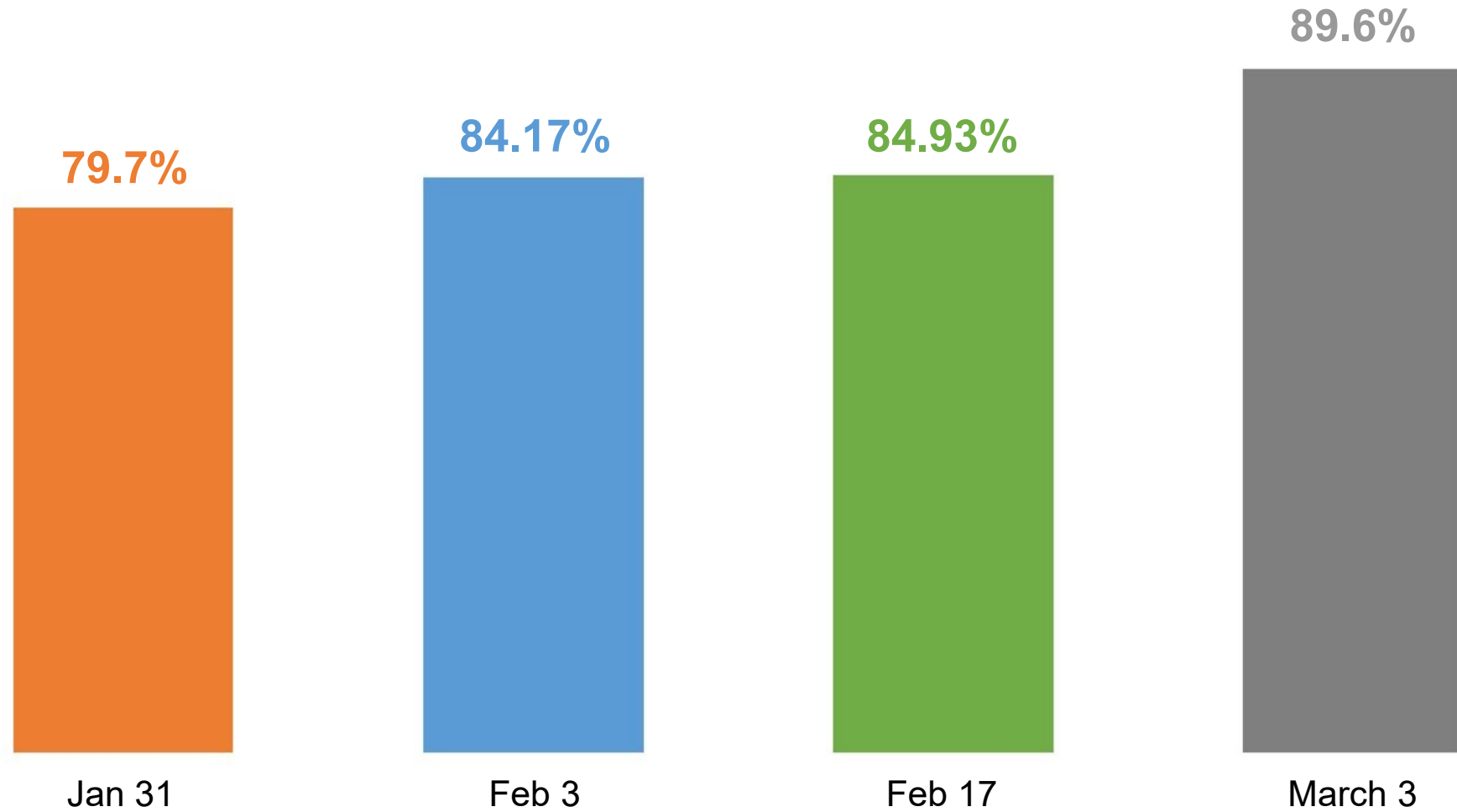
Federal Ethnicity	Total In-Person Students	Required to Test: Not Consented	Compliant through Vaccination or Testing
Hispanic/Latino	15,532	979	93.70%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	189	15	92.06%
Asian	7,329	401	94.53%
Black or African American	4,448	426	90.42%
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	870	143	83.56%
White	6,357	239	96.24%
Two or More Races, or Unknown	2,933	150	94.89%
Total	37,658	2,353	93.75%

Other Student Populations	Total Students	Required to Test: Not Consented	Compliant through Vaccination or Testing
English Learner (LEP)	7,462	688	90.78%
Meal Eligibility	24,192	1,656	93.15%
Special Education	5,493	407	92.59%
Foster	222	17	92.34%
Homeless	470	54	88.51%

Staff Vaccination Requirement Dashboard



Staff Vaccination Progress



Staff Non-Compliance Rates

4 TEACHERS (1 SPECIAL EDUCATION) $\Delta = -27$	0 TEACHER SUBS (442 TOTAL) $\Delta = -118$	0 CLASSIFIED SUBS (106 TOTAL) $\Delta = -52$
1 SPECIAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTIONAL AIDES $\Delta = -12$	0 CUSTODIANS $\Delta = -1$	5 NOON DUTY $\Delta = -14$
0 BUS DRIVERS $\Delta = -3$	2 CAMPUS MONITORS $\Delta = -4$	0 SITE NUTRITION SERVICES $\Delta = 0$
0 SPOM SITE PLANT MANAGERS $\Delta = -1$	0 MORNING DUTY $\Delta = -3$	

Δ = Change since previous Board Meeting (WoW)

Unpaid Leave Process



1. Updated communication with administrators with employees who are scheduled to be placed on unpaid leave due to non-compliance
2. A Notification letter will be generated informing the employee that they are being placed on unpaid leave of absence effective Friday, March 11, 2022
3. Letter sent to affected partners for notification, in the following order:
 - Site Admin (by phone and email)
 - Employee (by phone, email, and US Mail)
 - Labor Partners (by email and US Mail)
4. HR sends notification to Payroll/Benefits for processing

Aligned with Agreements with SEIU, Teamsters, and TCS

March 11, 2022 Action Plan

Job Classification	Segment	Number of positions	Notes
Teacher	K-6	2	Prepared to post in Frontline
	Middle School	1	Prepared to post in Frontline
	High School	1	Prepared to post in Frontline
Campus Monitor	Middle/High School	2	Prepared to post in Frontline
Noon Duty	K-6	5	Covered by sites

Recommendation

With our high compliance rate of **93.75%** of students vaccinated or registered for COVID Testing, we recommend the following:

- Continue implementing vaccine or testing mandate in readiness for state mandate, expected to go into effect as early as July 2022
- Given the constraints of independent study, allow all students to remain in person while we continue outreach efforts
- Masks remain required for the time being
- Continue mitigation measures into 22-23 school year to maintain health and safety and respond to any changes in conditions

Next Steps

- Continue actively targeting outreach efforts to the 2,353 students not yet vaccinated or registered for testing
- Inform the Board on March 3 what the latest staff non-compliance numbers are, and who will receive a notification letter of unpaid leave on Monday, March 11.
- Communicate vaccination mandate impact on staffing and services to students and families