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Solano County Office of Education Assisting Vaccination Planning for Educators

Solano County, CA- As Solano County Public Health department progresses through COVID-19 vaccination rollout Phase 1B, Tier 1, Solano County Office of Education (SCOE) is providing logistical and data collection support for the vaccination planning involving Solano educators. Vaccine supply is currently limited, requiring a phased approach to vaccination rollout for Solano school employees.

Education sector vaccinations will begin in coming weeks, beginning with 19 Local Education Agencies (LEAs) in Solano County. These schools and programs are currently registered with the California Department of Public Health's Safe Schools for All website as having an instructional status of "in-person" or "hybrid" learning models. The initial stage of the Solano educator vaccination plan also prioritizes school employees who are currently providing in-person instruction or learning/service support directly to students.

Solano County has reached the COVID case rate reduction threshold that allows elementary schools that have not already reopened campuses to do so now with COVID Safety Plans (CSPs) that are approved by Solano Public Health and the California Department of Public Health.

"We must do all we can to provide in-person interaction, social and emotional supports and academic engagement that students need. Vaccinations for educators will provide additional reinforcement to the COVID Safety Plans created by local schools to maintain healthy learning environments," commented Solano County Superintendent of Schools Lisette Estrella-Henderson. "SCOE is committed to our partnership with Solano Public Health and will provide any support and resources needed to assist with vaccination rollout for educators."

SCOE recognizes there are many moving parts and considerations involved in vaccination planning countywide. The details of future phases of vaccination planning for educators will likely be influenced by vaccination supply available to the county, local population needs and state directives. Solano County Office of Education is pleased to support the vaccination process over the next several months and is excited about this initial first step in vaccinating Solano County school employees.

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