



September 22, 2021

Good Afternoon LUSD Families:

LUSD has new information for all families that will impact your child at school. Please take the time to review this information carefully.

Beginning today, all families should notice a data verification request if you access student information in the Aeries portal. Please take the time to log into Aeries and complete this data verification. This is the primary method for LUSD to maintain important information for all students. The information you provide will directly impact the State and Federal revenue available to LUSD. Your assistance in completing the data verification process is greatly appreciated.

There are three important changes coming to the LUSD COVID-19 mitigation plan.

First, Lake County Public Health has informed LUSD that the California Department of Public Health is not planning to formally provide extracurricular quarantine guidance regarding students who are fully vaccinated and are identified as a close contact to a positive COVID-19 individual. This announcement comes with the message that the County Public Health Department is changing its stance in regard to quarantining fully vaccinated students from extracurricular activities. Beginning immediately, if a fully vaccinated student is deemed in close contact with a COVID-19 positive person, they do not need to be quarantined from extracurricular activities. The fully vaccinated student can continue to attend school and participate in extracurricular activities as long as they wear a mask indoors and monitor for COVID-19 symptoms.

Second, beginning on Monday, September 27, 2021 LUSD will change its outdoor masking expectations from requiring masks outdoors to highly recommending/encouraging masks outdoors. This change does not impact our indoor mask requirements. Beginning Monday, all individuals on campus in outdoor spaces are highly recommended/encouraged to wear a mask and all persons on campus indoors are required to wear a mask. The implementation of this change will fully align LUSD with the California Department of Public Health and California Interscholastic Federation guidance.

Finally, LUSD is partnering with Grapefruit Health to provide on-site COVID-19 testing and contact-tracing services. This partnership is provided to LUSD at no cost. Grapefruit Health will provide dedicated personnel to LUSD to meet all of our testing and contact-tracing needs. The District is working to onboard Grapefruit Health by October 15, 2021. More information will be provided to all staff members as the transition begins.

If you have questions or concerns regarding any of these items, please feel free to contact me directly.

Onward Lakeport!
Matt Bullard, Supt.