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Dear AESD Families,

The following update is provided to keep you informed regarding the Anaheim Elementary School District:

Update on Weekly COVID-19 Data for Anaheim

Our District continues to prioritize the health and safety of stakeholders as our top priority. Although California no longer reports data within the tiered colored system, the City of Anaheim updates their data weekly. There were 280 new cases reported across Anaheim's seven ZIP codes for the seven days through November 2, up from 232 the week prior.

If your child is experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, please keep him/her home and contact your child's health care provider. Please contact your school to report the absence; a COVID-19 related absence is excused. If someone in your household tested positive for COVID-19 and is currently under quarantine or self-isolation, your child should follow the guidelines from the Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA) on how long to remain at home and when to return to school.

Town Hall to Discuss Vaccinations

On November 2, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) endorsed the recommendation that children 5 to 11 years old be vaccinated against COVID-19. **Currently there is not a state mandate requiring that your child be vaccinated.**

To keep you updated on what this recommendation means, you are invited to join AESD Superintendent Dr. Downing and CHOC Pediatrician, Dr. Williamson in a Virtual Town Hall on Wednesday, November 10, at 4:00 p.m. During this Town Hall we will review the latest information on the COVID-19 vaccine for children and answer questions submitted by AESD stakeholders. Please use this [link](#) to submit your vaccination related question.

Although we hope to answer as many questions as possible, there may not be enough time during the Virtual Town Hall to answer all the questions submitted. However, all questions and corresponding answers will be posted on the aesd.org website in the days following the Virtual Town Hall. Questions read aloud during the Town Hall may include the first name and role of the person who submitted the question.

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Questions will be accepted from Thursday, November 4, 2021, through Monday, November 8, 2021, at 5:00 p.m.

Upcoming COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics

For those families interested in accessing free COVID-19 vaccinations for your students or family members, AESD is partnering with Albertsons/Pavilions Pharmacies to host three community Vaccination Clinics. The vaccination clinics will be held on November 13 and December 4 at John Marshall, Key, and Orange Grove Elementary Schools from 8:00-12:00. More details will be communicated on the AESD website.

On behalf of our Board of Education and staff members, thank you for your ongoing support of the Anaheim Elementary School District.

Sincerely,
Dr. Christopher Downing
Superintendent