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Jodee Brentlinger

August 25, 2021

### **IMPORTANT: 2021-22 School Planning Special Board Meeting Thursday, August 26, 2021**

Dear Solana Beach School District Families,

Thank you to all families who have reached out with phone calls and emails to the Board of Education and myself over the last several weeks. I assure you, the Board of Education and I read and consider all information we receive from our staff, families, and community members. As you read in my Communication to Families dated Friday, August 20, 2021, district staff are reviewing information on health and safety measures daily, as this is the number one priority for students and staff, and this is what will keep the virus from transmitting on our campuses, keeping schools open, and students in class. As you know, we continue to receive constant new and often changing information. Not only has the delta variant added a new dynamic, so have the many quarantine options for keeping students in school this year. Because of this, we have added an agenda item to the Thursday, August 26, 2021, Special Board Meeting to address current guidance for K-12 school districts. Below please find timely information regarding tomorrow's Board Meeting.

#### **Information**

- Board meeting begins at 2:00 p.m. and has two agenda items:
  - English Language Learners
  - 2021-22 School Planning
    - **2021-22 School Planning** is expected to begin at approximately 2:45.
- The Board will be discussing:
  - Health and safety mitigation measures:
    - Facial coverings (Masking)
    - Outdoor eating and playing
    - Ventilation
  - Quarantining Process (please see [Decision Tree](#))
    - Day 11 Return
    - Day 8 Return
    - Modified (in school) Quarantine
  - COVID Testing Program
- Expertise around the CDPH requirements will be provided by Bob Mueller, Assistant Incident Commander, COVID-19 Response, San Diego County Office of Education, and Dr. John Bradley, Medical Director, Infectious Diseases, Rady's Children Hospital who will speak regarding the San Diego County Department of Public Health requirements.
- If you wish to address the Board, orally or in writing, please complete the speaker form, which will be available at 1:00 p.m. and close at 2:00 p.m. upon the commencement of the meeting.
- Please access the meeting [agenda](#) and [Zoom link](#).

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### Important Reminders to Reinforce

- As of Tuesday afternoon, there have been 10 student cases identified and reported in the Solana Beach School District. While there have been no school transmissions, we know that the delta variant is a more contagious strain, and we are seeing it affecting children.
- Students who exhibit any cold, flu, or COVID-like symptoms are to remain home. Please contact your child's pediatrician. To help prevent further transmission, a negative COVID test (negative molecular test) and improvement of symptoms are required prior to returning to school, **or** 10 days must have passed from the onset of symptoms with improvement of symptoms prior to returning to school; whichever is shorter.
- In order to protect students and staff and reduce, if not eliminate, unnecessary quarantining of students, we request the same protocol be implemented for students if any household member is exhibiting symptoms.
- In order to assist families with accessing no-cost testing in San Diego County, please access this [link for testing locations and appointments](#).

Just a reminder that I will be sending weekly communication updates to our families as we continue to settle into the 2021-22 school year.

Sincerely,

Jodee Brentlinger, Superintendent



**A Spanish translation prepared by District staff will soon be available on our website.**

La traducción al español estará disponible próximamente en nuestro sitio web.

**A Chinese translation prepared by District staff will soon be available on our website.**

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