



FROM THE DESK OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

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Greetings MJUSD Community,

Wishing you all the very best as we move into the holiday season. I have enjoyed seeing recent student performances including the music showcase at Yuba Gardens Intermediate School and the MCAA production, *Almost, Maine*. As the seasons change it is wonderful to see our students engaged in fall festivities such as spirit week, harvest festivals, and trunk-or-treats. Schools are almost back to normal and it is indeed an honor to serve our community and our students.

Lately, there has been a lot of conversation about the student vaccination mandates that were announced by the Governor earlier this month. There are a few important points I would like to clarify regarding the announcement.

1. There is currently no mandate for student vaccinations. The Governor has expressed his intent to enforce the mandate after the FDA has granted full use of the vaccine, which has not happened. Gov. Newsom said the mandate could be implemented as early as July 2022 for students in grades 7-12 if full use is granted by the FDA.
2. As stated in the announcement, families will have the option to request medical and personal belief exemptions.

During public comment at the Board meeting Tuesday, a constituent recommended that the District create a plan to address the impacts of this mandate. It is important for the community to understand that without further direction from the Governor's Office, we do not know the parameters of the mandate nor the impacts of its implementation. However, Superintendents across the state are closely watching the developments and I intend to keep our community updated as we learn new information.

The Marysville Joint Unified School District is committed to providing a positive and safe learning environment for students and staff. We are continuing to implement the August 11 Public Health Order which mandates all school employees, volunteers, and contractors to provide proof of full vaccination or participate in weekly COVID-19 testing. We are offering testing options across the District and will continue to work with our employees to comply with the state requirement.

In other news, please read the following highlights from Tuesday's Board of Trustees meeting:

- The Board approved the ESSER III funding plan as required under state guidelines; the plan is posted in English and Spanish on [the MJUSD website](#). The plan includes funding to expand programs for students such as district-wide AVID, music, CTE, and STEM options and provide support for our educators through professional development. The remaining funds have been set aside for facilities improvements. A proposal for these investments will be developed and discussed during a public study session in November.
- The Board approved a partnership with Yuba-Sutter Transit to provide bus passes for students in grades 6 - 12 who live at least one mile from their school site and where we do not currently have any bus routes. For more information, please contact Greg Taylor at gtaylor@mjud.k12.ca.us.
- The District will soon provide 24/7 online tutoring options for students in grades 3 through 12 after the Board considers a revised contract on November 9. Once approved, more information will be provided to parents and families. We will also be providing hotspots to ensure all our students continue to have access to technology. Please contact Bryan Williams at bwilliams@mjud.k12.ca.us for more information.
- The recently released 2020 U.S. Census data shows that changes need to be made to the current MJUSD trustee boundary map. The Board must adopt a new trustee boundary map by February 28, 2022. Three proposed options have been posted on the [District website](#). Please review the proposed changes and share your comments and suggestions with our Chief Business Official, Jennifer Passaglia, at jpassaglia@mjud.k12.ca.us.

As our students celebrate Halloween in various ways this upcoming weekend, please have fun and stay safe! And finally, let us all remember to be kind and patient with each other as we are all on this journey together.

Sincerely,

Fal Asrani Ed.D.
Proud Superintendent

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Fal Asrani".