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TO: Stockton Unified School District Staff and Families

FROM: Dr. Francine Baird, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services
Tara Kosel, R.N., Director of Health Services

Subject: Regarding The California Department of Public Health Indoor Mask Mandate Update – February 28, 2022

Dear Stockton Unified School District Staff and Families,

Stockton Unified School District (SUSD) continues to operate under the mandates from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and our local public health office. As you may know, the CDPH updated their guidance today, February 28, 2022, with regard to masking in schools.

SUSD continues to adjust our practice based on the latest data and science, applying the recommendations and mandates from the CDPH to guide our response to the pandemic. Our COVID-19 Safety Plan is continuously evolving to meet current federal, state, and local health mandates. The California Department of Public Health has stated after March 11, 2022, masks will no longer be required for staff or students inside school sites or buildings.

The CDPH strongly recommends continued indoor masking for schools and child care facilities regardless of vaccination status. We ask that any staff or students that are at high risk for infection, or are unvaccinated, to cautiously look at the new mask recommendation when making decisions regarding wearing a mask in school.

We ask that all staff, students, and families continue to monitor for symptoms daily and to stay home if you are ill or symptomatic. Stockton Unified School District COVID test sites remain in place for student and staff use. Our personal protection equipment (PPE) such as masks, will continue to be available for those staff or students that choose to wear masks in a school setting.

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