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DEPARTMENT OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi

Dear Parents, Guardians and Staff,

I am addressing you in acknowledgement of the recent news regarding vaccine mandates. Our Diocesan leadership team continues to monitor health and safety directives from state and county officials. With that in mind, I wanted to acknowledge Friday's announcement from Governor Newsom regarding a phased approach to COVID-19 vaccination requirements for K – 12 students who attend public and private schools in person. Here is the Press Release from the Governor's Office regarding School Vaccine Mandates.

At this time, the only detail we can confirm is that the mandate for all students ages 12 and older would go into effect July 1, 2022. Our Diocesan leadership team will thoroughly review state requirements in the coming weeks and months. We will continue to keep you all informed as decisions are made.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership, flexibility and understanding as we navigate this situation. Know that we will continue to prioritize the health, safety and well-being of our students, staff and families as we center our efforts in Christ.

Sincerely,

Andrew Currier

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