

Hello Everyone,

We are at the end of another week of many changes. Before I share some of what is happening, I would like to address the recent spate of anti-Asian hate crimes. There is no place for this type of hate in our society, and we, as a District, condemn these crimes. I am proud to work in a school district where diversity is valued and celebrated. While I hope that we never see this type of racism in our schools, I encourage all of you to report it if you do to school staff. We have no tolerance for this type of behavior.

As you probably know, school district employees are now eligible to be vaccinated. Unfortunately, there is still no process for employees to receive the vaccine. As I have shared previously, the Alameda County Office of Education is coordinating efforts to get our staff vaccinated and they continue to do so. The biggest problem still seems to be that there is not enough vaccine available.

The rules for reopening are also changing. The CDC released new guidance for schools today that I haven't even had time to review yet. You can find that guidance here: [CDC Guidance](#). I am also expecting news from the Governor about his new reopening plan. The Governor's plan has not been released as of the time I am writing this but it may be by the time you read this. Depending on what the CDC, the Governor, and the legislature agree to, it may make the path to reopening easier or more difficult. At next week's board meeting I will be giving a comprehensive update on the status of reopening schools in general and what it means for us in the NHUSD. The link to join or watch our board meeting can be found on our website and will be available Friday afternoon.

I hope you all enjoy your three day weekend.

John