March 8, 2021



Dear SDNB families,

We are writing to remind you that tomorrow will be an asynchronous virtual learning day for ALL students as all our teaching staff members district wide who want to receive the first dose of the COVID-19 vaccination will have the opportunity to do so at an onsite clinic. Again, there will be no in-person learning in our schools tomorrow.

**ACT testing for juniors, however, will take place in-person as scheduled** at Eisenhower and West. There will be no impact to the testing schedule or bus transportation to and from school for those students.

If your child needs a bag lunch tomorrow, the Food and Nutrition Services Department is providing lunches for all students / families who register in advance. All the details are on the <u>district website</u>; you must register by 9 p.m. tonight in order to be eligible to pick up lunch tomorrow.

Please note there has been a date change for the second dose of the vaccine. Teaching staff members are now tentatively scheduled to receive the second dose **Thursday**, **April 1**. That day will also be an asynchronous virtual learning day for all students.

While we recognize tomorrow's clinic is inconvenient for some families. There were a number of factors that were taken into consideration after conversations with the vaccine provider:

- The provider receives dose shipments on Mondays;
- Tuesday provides us the greatest chance of receiving the maximum number of doses from the provider to assure we can cover all staff who want the vaccine.
- The provider needs to use the doses in a short window of time to prevent them from going bad; setting up a clinic on a Friday or over the weekend was not an option available to us.

Administering the vaccine now to our staff is one more tool that allows us to stay safe to stay open, as we have since September. Once again, we apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but we greatly appreciate your flexibility and understanding as we work through this important process together.

Joe Garza Superintendent