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Dear SJCOE Employees,

On June 15, California moved beyond the Blueprint for a Safer Economy and issued updated COVID-19 public health guidance. On June 17, Cal/OSHA released updated Temporary Emergency Standards on COVID-19 Prevention pertaining to most California workplaces.

The COVID-19 guidance and required safety protocols for schools and employees working at school sites is largely unaffected by these recent changes and most previously existing COVID-19 safety requirements remain in effect. **The only change for schools in session is face coverings are no longer required when outdoors.** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the California Department of Public Health may be further adjusting school guidance in the coming weeks. Should this occur, the SJCOE will communicate any changes affecting our school sites soon thereafter.

To remain in alignment with state guidance and workplace requirements and after submitting a COVID-19 Vaccination Certification, employees at non-school site locations and offices (and school site employees when no students are present on campus) who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 are no longer required to wear face coverings indoors in the workplace. Employees who are not fully vaccinated or who do not submit the certification form must continue to wear face coverings indoors and when sharing a vehicle, unless exempted. The SJCOE will continue providing face coverings to all employees who are required to or choose to wear them. Employees not fully vaccinated will be provided with N95 respirators upon request.

Additionally, for non-school site locations, physical distancing restrictions have been eliminated, regardless of vaccination status. Employees must continue completing the Schools Self Screening tool daily and should continue to follow the handwashing protocols we have all become accustomed to.

To complete and submit the COVID-19 Vaccination Certification form, click [here](#). Optionally, employees may access the certification link on the SJCOE website: <https://www.sjcoe.org/healthsafety/employeeresources.aspx>. From the SJCOE homepage, click on the COVID-19 photo, then click on Employee Resources.

Please talk to your supervisor if you have any questions about what these changes mean to you at your worksite.

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