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November 8, 2021

The Honorable Gavin Newsom
1303 10th Street, Suite 1173
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Newsom,

On November 4, 2021, the Board of Education of the Chino Valley Unified School District passed Resolution 2021/2022-37, Urgent Request to Governor Gavin Newsom to Reconsider or Rescind the COVID-19 Vaccine Mandate for Public and Private K-12 Students as a Requirement for In-Person Instruction. As such, a copy of the signed resolution is enclosed for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Norm Enfield, Ed.D.
Superintendent

RESOLUTION 2021/2022-37
URGENT REQUEST TO GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM TO RECONSIDER OR
RESCIND THE COVID-19 VACCINE MANDATE FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE K-12
STUDENTS AS A REQUIREMENT FOR IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION

WHEREAS, the Chino Valley Unified School District (CVUSD), serving over 26,000 students in Chino, Chino Hills, and South Ontario has been a leader in getting students back in the classroom while following all California Department of Public Health (CDPH) guidelines; and

WHEREAS, California COVID case rate for the 0-17 age group is proportionally lower than any other under-65 age group, for which no state COVID-19 vaccination mandate has been announced; and

WHEREAS, some parents, including COVID-19 vaccinated, pro-vaccination parents, are very uncomfortable with subjecting their young children to a vaccination for which there is no longitudinal data; and

WHEREAS, while we respect the right of parents to choose the most suitable educational program for their children, we believe the vaccine mandate will result in large numbers of families choosing to leave traditional in-person K-12 schools for lower quality instructional programs; and

WHEREAS, if families leave traditional K-12, or leave California due to the mandate, public and private school staff jobs will be lost. Some parents will leave the workforce to provide homeschooling. If a significant number of jobs are disrupted in this manner, it could have a negative effect on the state economy, as it did during the months of “distance learning”; and

WHEREAS, the Governor and CVUSD have acknowledged that the best academic and social-emotional outcomes for students come from traditional in-person classroom instruction.


THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that while the Board of Education of the Chino Valley Unified School District understands and supports the goals of the Governor and the CDPH to stop the spread of COVID-19, we believe that the Governor’s K-12 student vaccine mandate infringes on parental rights of choice and is not in alignment with the educational and social-emotional goals of the State and the District, and

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that we urge the Governor to reconsider or rescind the vaccine mandate as a condition of in-person instruction for students in grades K-12 and staff, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of the Chino Valley Unified School District is directed to transmit this Resolution to Governor Gavin Newsom; Director and State Public Health Officer CDPH, Dr. Tomás J. Aragón; Dr. Mark Ghaly, California Health and Human Services; San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors; and the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools to communicate the Chino Valley Unified School District's Board of Education opposition.

APPROVED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED this 4th day of November 2021 at a regular meeting of the Board of Education by the following vote:

Bridge	<u>No</u>
Cruz	<u>Yes</u>
Gagnier	<u>No</u>
Na	<u>Yes</u>
Schaffer	<u>Yes</u>



Joe Schaffer, President



Donald L. Bridge, Clerk