



# Lowell Joint SCHOOL DISTRICT

“Home of Scholars and Champions”

Healthy Families and Staff Newsletter – Families

## Lowell Joint STRONG

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### 😊 KEEP BREATHING 😊

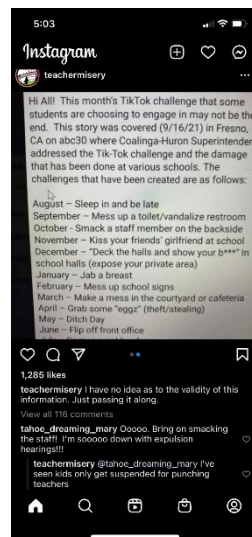
Thank you for your constant patience, understanding, and support. You are incredible in how you continue handling each situation with such grace, mercy, patience, and kindness; THANK YOU! We will exceed through this challenge, because our feet are planted on solid rock; we are so proud of you!!

The State, CDPH and CAL/OSHA continue to update and change their orders. The latest State, CPHD and CAL/Osha order links are: ([California Department of Public Health Education Health Order](#)) ([CDPH Order](#)).

Just a couple of quick-last minute updates and reminders:

- o **Thank you** for your support and commitment regarding the ridiculous Tik Tok challenge to destroy school campuses and to do completely disrespectful actions (slap, hit, cuss, etc.) towards school staff. It is tough enough raising children (we have four boys) and we do not need outside influences or people making it tougher. Lowell Joint has not had any real issues and that is 100% to your credit; **THANK YOU!** We will continue to support and validate what you are teaching your children at home while they are part of our schools.
- o There are a lot of rumors and information racing around social media related to making October 18<sup>th</sup> a “walk out” day for schools to protest the State purposed vaccination mandate. We shared information in the last Healthy Family Newsletter regarding the Governor’s Executive Order as well as the position of the Lowell Joint Board of Trustees. The rumor was that, “In light of the Governor’s Executive Order, The District will be requiring all staff and students 12 and older to be vaccinated”. The real truth is:
  1. The Governor’s order has multiple criteria before this order is even actionable:
    - a. The FDA must official certify the vaccine as a fully approved vaccine instead of emergency approval.
    - b. With a Governor’s Emergency Order, there also comes multiple exemptions: medical, personal reason, and religious. These are clearly broad, very open-ended and flexible.
    - c. It is not a Statutory Law, because the California House and Senate have not approved a formal law.

“Character is like a tree and reputation like a shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing.”  
Abraham Lincoln



- d. The FDA has not even approved an emergency vaccination for children under the age of 12 and it would still be under emergency status.
2. The Lowell Joint Board of Trustees has already stated, during an open public meeting, that though they will not take any position to go against a “mask mandate”, they will **not** support a vaccination mandate and “will die on that hill”.



Obviously, I am sharing and reminding you of our Board of Trustees and district position so that you can make decisions that are best for your family and our Lowell Joint Family.

I just want to keep our family updated and informed about Lowell Joint. We are focused on educating our students so that they are academically at or above standards, while leveraging music, arts, robotics to enhance their education. We also 100 % believe in reinforcing the great Character Education our students learn from home: integrity, respect and honesty. Keep taking time to stop and breathe as we continue to find joy; LJSD will continue to stand in faith as we continue to walk one-step at a time. You are truly a blessing. You are **GREATLY APPRECIATED, GREATLY VALUED AND GREATLY LOVED!**

We continue to stand in faith as we are **LOWELL JOINT STRONG** and we will stand strong against the storms that come our way; you are the beacon/lighthouse of educational excellence; **THANK YOU!**

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