



**Resolution No. 9
2021 - 2022**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE KENNEWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OPPOSING REQUIRED COVID-19 VACCINES OF STUDENTS**

WHEREAS, the Kennewick School District Board of Directors represents a diverse community of families with varying personal, philosophical, religious, and political beliefs; and

WHEREAS, it is the School Board's responsibility and duty to listen to and represent the entire community whom they serve and remain a governing Board free from political bias; and

WHEREAS, the Board respects the right of individual families to make health decisions for their children; and

WHEREAS, whether to receive the COVID-19 vaccine is a health-related decision; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 vaccines are readily available for those who choose to receive them; and

WHEREAS, Kennewick School District provided space for, and communicated about, vaccine clinic opportunities for families; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 vaccine has been widely available to families in the community; and

WHEREAS, receiving the COVID-19 vaccine is an acceptable and encouraged choice for families who so desire; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Health and Department of Health have convened a technical advisory group (TAG) to consider a COVID-19 vaccine against the State Board of Health's criteria regarding whether to add it to the list of the state's list of required immunizations for school entry; and

WHEREAS, the TAG has encouraged stakeholders to provide input; and

WHEREAS, the Criteria 8 of the Immunization Advisory Committee (IAC) is to consider whether the administrative burdens of delivery and tracking are reasonable; and

WHEREAS, Washington State Law allows parents or guardians to exempt their child from immunization requirements for personal/philosophical, religious or medical reasons; and

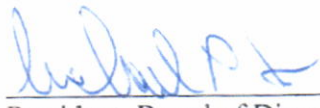
WHEREAS, the Kennewick School District Board of Directors believes requiring the COVID-19 vaccine would create an unreasonable administrative burden,

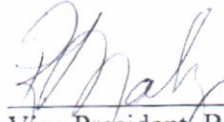
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Kennewick School Board of Directors opposes making the COVID-19 vaccine required under WAC 246-105-030.

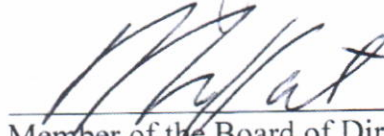
Adopted and approved this 23rd day of February 2022.

ATTEST:


Secretary, Board of Directors


President, Board of Directors


Vice President, Board of Directors

 *Telephonically approved*
Member of the Board of Directors


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