

STATE OF HAWAI'I **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

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OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

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TO: Department of Education Employees (All)

Volunteers

FROM:

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SUBJECT: End of COVID-19 Vaccination or Weekly Testing Requirement

On March 1, 2022, Governor David Y. Ige announced that requirements for proof of COVID-19 vaccination or weekly testing of employees and visitors to state facilities would cease upon expiration of the most recent COVID-19 emergency proclamation.

Effective March 26, 2022, employees are no longer required to submit proof of vaccination or weekly test results to the Hawaii State Department of Education's (Department) electronic human resources system (eHR). The COVID-19 vaccination module in eHR will continue to be available for employees who wish to record their vaccination or booster documentation into the system for the time being. Volunteers and visitors are also no longer required to show proof of vaccination or negative test results when entering campus/office.

Employees should continue to monitor their daily health and follow the Department's COVID-19 Health and Safety Guidance. Full vaccination and boosters continue to be highly encouraged, and employees are authorized up to two (2) hours off to receive a vaccination or booster shot during working hours. See memorandum, Release Time for COVID-19 Vaccination Booster, dated October 28, 2021.

Thank you to all employees and volunteers who have done their part to keep our schools safe and open during this global pandemic.

KTH:sa