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Supt. Juneau on Gov. Inslee Vaccination Announcement

SEATTLE – I am deeply grateful for Governor Jay Inslee’s decision to allow educators to now receive the COVID-19 vaccine. I am also very appreciative for President Biden’s leadership on the issue of prioritizing educator vaccinations. While this is very good news for Seattle Public Schools educators, as well as educators across the state, this is excellent news for students. Vaccinations for educators has been a hot issue as our district, and other districts, move as quickly as possible to resume in-person instruction. SPS is bargaining now with our partner, the Seattle Education Association, and they have prioritized vaccinations for educators as part of their focus. This announcement by the governor will, hopefully, lead to quick implementation of vaccinations for educators, leading to a smoother way forward as we work to open schools for our students. – Superintendent Denise Juneau

Note: On Jan. 8, 2021, Superintendent Juneau sent a letter to Gov. Inslee and other state and county leaders, urging them to prioritize vaccinations for educators.

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