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## DSEA President Stephanie Ingram's Statement on Governor's Vaccination Mandate

"The Delaware State Education Association's goal is to keep our educators and students in school, while protecting their health and keeping them safe during these uncertain times. To that end, we support the Governor's decision for all school employees to get vaccinated or submit to testing. All scientific evidence shows us that this vaccine is effective and lowers the risk of transmission while lessening the symptoms if the disease is transmitted. So, we urge our members to get vaccinated. We recognize that some educators still have concerns with the vaccine. For these members, the requirement of weekly testing is a reasonable alternative that will help provide a safe learning environment for all. While we know not everyone will agree with this decision, we believe that this allows us to safely keep children and educators in school while continuing to protect their health."

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