



"Climbing Toward College & Career Readiness!"

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Dear ACS families,

We hope you had a healthy and peaceful winter holiday. We are expecting a better year for everyone.

We wanted to provide you with an update about COVID-19 vaccine distribution in Los Angeles County. This information is obtained from the County of Los Angeles Public Health website. As you are already aware, vaccinations began in mid-December for healthcare workers during Phase 1A. Phase 1B includes persons 75 years and older and those at risk of exposure at work like educators, childcare personnel, etc. The vaccine is not yet available to persons listed in Phase 1B. It is estimated that vaccination will begin for those in Phase 1B in early February and that everyone in this phase will be offered at least one dose of the vaccine by late March. We are unaware, at this time, when vaccinations for students will become available.

As we prepare to begin Spring semester, COVID-19 remains at dangerously high levels in the Los Angeles area. We will continue to follow the "Safer at Home" order, which encourages Los Angeles residents to limit activities outside their home, until further notice. As the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) announced earlier this week, it is not safe or appropriate to have any students on campus and we are asking employees to continue to work from home, if possible. Since Ararat Charter School is located on Prop. 39 facilities (District owned) the school cannot bring students back on campus until the LAUSD begins in-person instruction.

Ararat Charter School continues to plan for a safe reopening as soon as possible. Our goal is to provide the best possible education for students while protecting the health and safety of all in the school community.

Here is the link to the COVID-19 vaccine distribution information in Los Angeles County.

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/ncorona2019/covidvaccinedistribution/>

Thank you for your patience and support of Ararat Charter School, your school of choice.

Sincerely,

Dr. Aida Tattiosian