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MICHIGANHAS ADVINISTERED 1,942,759VACCINES TO DATE.





WE MUST PASS THE MICOVID RECOVERY PLAN, WHICH SPENDS THE OVER \$5 BILLION ALREADY APPROPRIATED TO US IN A BIPARTISAN BILL SIGNED IN DECEMBER.

85% OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE CURRENTLY BACK IN-PERSON AND ACCORDING TO THE REPORT FROM OUR RESEARCH PARTNERS AT EPIC, THAT 97% OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS WILL BE BACK IN-PERSON BY NEXT MONDAY, MARCH 1.

WHY IS IN-PERSON LEARNING SO CRITICAL?

• SCHOOLS ENVRONMENT PROVIDES SOCIAL AND ENOTIONAL SKILLS THAT ARE FOUNDATIONAL TO A CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT

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• WHILE SOME STUDENTS AND FAMILIES HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL WITH DISTANCE LEARNING, FAR TOO MANY HAVE STRUGGLED.

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• THERE HAVE BEEN DISHEARTENING IMPACTS ON OUR CHILDREN'S MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH SINCE THEIR LIVES WERE UPENDED IN MARCH.

- SINCE LAST APRIL, WE'VE PROVIDED GRANTS TO MORE THAN 6,500 CHILD CARE PROVIDERS.
- WE'RE VACCINATING CHILDCARE PROFESSIONALS.
- PROPOSED A \$370 MILLION INVESTMENT IN MY BUDGET TO MAKE CHILDCARE LOW OR NO COST FOR 150,000 MORE FAMILIES.
- WE ESTABLISHED A \$6 MILLION CHILD CARE INNOVATION FUND TO FIND PIONEERING SOLUTIONS FOR WORKING FAMILIES.

THE TRANSITION TO REMOTE LEARNING DURING THIS PANDEMIC HAS EXACERBATED EXISTING EQUITY GAPS STATEWIDE THAT WE HAVE WORKED TO NARROW.

FOR THE BETTER PART OF NINE MONTHS, MEDICAL EXPERTS AND EPIDEMIOLOGISTS HAVE CLOSELY FOLLOWED THE DATA AND COME UP WITH A SET OF BEST PRACTICES THAT SCHOOLS CAN FOLLOW TO PREVENT INFECTION AND MINIMIZE THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 AND ITS VARIANTS.

WEARING A MASK SOCIAL DISTANCING PROTOCOLS. HAND HYGENE.

ALL OF THE PROCESSES WE HAVE ARE BACKED BY SCIENCE AND DATA AND ALLOW OUR KIDS TO BE BACK IN CLASS BY MARCH 1ST.

ACCORDING TO A SURVEY RELEASED BY THE MEA, TWO-THIRDS OF EDUCATORS HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED ONE OR BOTH OF THEIR SHOTS OR MADE AN APPOINTMENT TO GET THEIR FIRST ONE.

MICHIGAN'S EXTRAORDINARY EDUCATORS ARE FIERCELY DEDICATED TO THEIR STUDENTS, AND OUR EQUITABLE VACCINE ROLLOUT THAT PRIORITIZES THEMIS GOING A LONG WAY TOWARDS HELPING OUR KIDS GO BACK TO SCHOOL.

IT'S TIME FOR US TO COME TOGETHER AND GET IT DONE.

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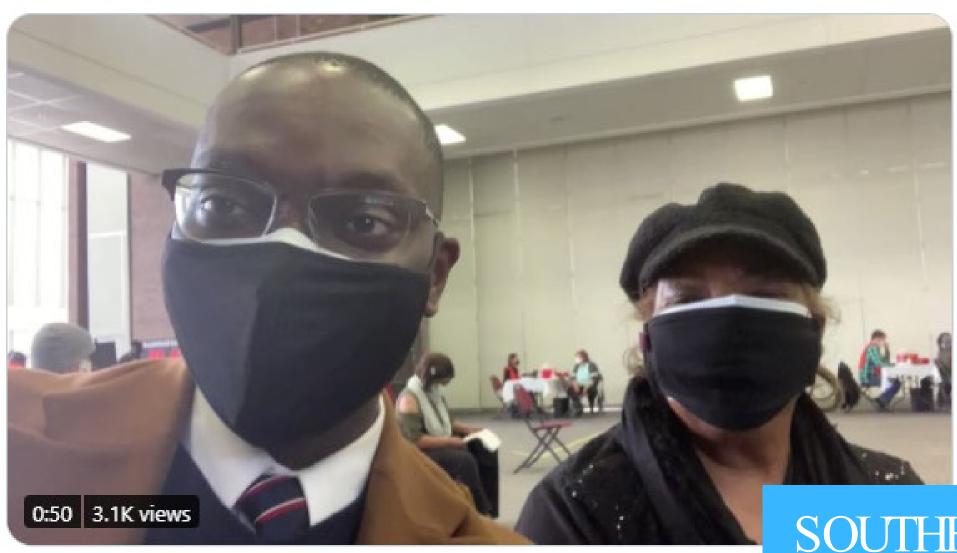




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I had a special opportunity to visit a vaccine site in Southfield as my grandma received her first dose.

She's feeling good and excited to #StandTALL as we eliminate COVID.



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SOUTHFIELD VACCINATION SITE