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Region 19 School Districts Thank City/County Health Department for Collaboration During Remote Learning

El Paso, Texas (January 15, 2020) - The COVID-19 pandemic imposed unprecedented challenges to school systems worldwide prompting education officials to create and reinforce partnerships with area health leaders and the agencies they oversee. In Region 19, which includes all of El Paso & Hudspeth Counties, that collaboration was eminent in providing nearly 200,000 students and more than 15,000 employees timely, appropriate and much-needed health information and services.

The superintendents of Region 19, as well as the executive leadership at the Education Service Center-Region 19, wish to thank local health authority Dr. Hector Ocaranza and the health leaders of El Paso County and the City of El Paso, as well as the private health partners that have provided services and guidance to our schools and employees during these most-trying of times. With their help, local schools have been able to respond to the immediate needs of students and families in West Texas.

El Paso area school systems continue to work closely with health officials and other agencies to further expand partnerships and services that will help students and families cope with the impact of the pandemic. Undoubtedly, this collaboration will yield beneficial results for our region, our students, and our families as we continue to make strides in responding to the health needs of El Paso.

Region 19 continues to partner with local health providers to access vaccines for all school district employees.

On behalf of the students and employees of school systems throughout Region 19, thank you!

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