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STATE FIRE MARSHAL URGES VACCINATIONS FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

JACKSON, Miss. – State Fire Marshal and Insurance Commissioner Mike Chaney is encouraging all First Responders, including Fire Fighters and Emergency Medical Service personnel to get vaccinated against COVID-19.

“First Responders are on the front line daily, protecting the public and need to be protected from the COVID-19 virus and not become super spreaders,” said Chaney. “There are more than 16,000 first responders in the state including firefighters and EMS. It is my sincere hope that all first responders answer this call to get vaccinated which in turn will help all of us fulfill our mission to protect lives and property in the state.”

The Mississippi State Fire Academy (MSFA) is experiencing a significant outbreak among students resulting in many classes being cancelled. The students contracting the virus are unvaccinated.

“This variant is a serious threat to those who are unvaccinated and getting the COVID-19 vaccine is the most effective way to prevent illness,” said Chaney.

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