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Superintendent's Update

The safety of our students, our staff and our community continue to be our districts number one priority. All district staff are continuing to work hard to provide a rigorous distance learning program for our students. We know it is not perfect, but we are trying to improve daily as we are all learning together. There are great things happening daily; students are learning in ways we did not believe possible just a few months ago. Every one of us would prefer to have our students in our schools, in our classrooms, with our teachers, administrators and support staff; it continues to be our goal to do this as quickly and as safely as we possibly can.

Current District Conditions:

- All Sites on Phase 1 / Distance Learning
- Parents were asked to choose a learning plan for their student (Parent Survey) Phase Plan, Distance Learning until Jan, Distance Learning Full year
- All students were placed in the plan chosen by parent
- All sites have been creating and revising site safety plans in preparation for onsite learning
- Some students (special populations) requiring intensive support have had in person support by staff on sites

Next Steps:

- During the week of October 1st, the District Leadership Team will review data to determine the possibility of moving to Phase 2 (Hybrid Model)
- The District will report our evaluation and decision by the end of the week, if a decision is made to move to Phase 2, we will provide parents, students, and staff two weeks to prepare for this shift
- The District Leadership Team will re-evaluate all data during the week of November 1st

Data for Evaluation to move to Phase 2:

- County Public Health Status:
 - must remain in Tier 2 or Higher
 - review district zones for active case rate

- Equipment:
 - 3 months' worth PPE equipment for staff and students for (masks, shields, gloves, paper gowns etc.)
 - Thermometers for all points of entry
 - Portable hand sanitation for all points of entry
 - Plexiglass shields for teaching stations
 - Plexiglass shields for student desks
 - Supplies for deep cleaning / sanitation
 - Supplies for air purification

- Procedures:
 - Busing with social distancing
 - Student Daily Health Screening
 - Staff Daily Health Screening
 - Isolation and supervision for students with symptoms
 - Flow of traffic on campus with social distancing
 - Lunch/meals in cohort groups, not cafeteria style
 - Recess/break with cohort groups, social distancing, no shared equipment
 - Bathroom accessibility by cohort / cleaning plan
 - Possible staggered start time to accommodate student health screening and social distancing at entrances
 - Training for proper sanitation, hand washing, mask wear and care (students, teachers, staff, families)

- Staffing
 - Teachers for cohorts of max 15 students
 - Classroom space for cohorts
 - Staffing for Distance Learning Vs Face to Face Instruction
 - Supervision for classroom/ lunch time
 - Possible additional Bus routes to accommodate social distancing

Above criteria areas are based on the Following Documents:

These documents are frequently updated; district criteria will be updated as needed.

- ❖ Ca Dept. of Education: Guidebook for Safe Reopening of Schools

- ❖ Ca Dept. of Public Health- COVID 19 Industry Guidance: Schools and School Based Programs

- ❖ Ca Dept. of Public Health Tier Framework

The District is committed to accurately reviewing the status of each piece of criteria to assure a safe return for our students, and staff. We will report out the status of each area as it leads to the determination of Phase movement.

If you have questions about the above information, please click on the following link, we will collect all questions and post answers to them

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HJBV3D5>

Thank you for your support, stay safe!

Becky Salato, Superintendent