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Dear FJUHSD Staff, Students, and Parents/Guardians,

I hope this message finds you well. As you may have heard today, California Governor Gavin Newsom in partnership with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) announced strict guidance relative to reopening schools for fall 2020. The Governor stated that, in order to reopen schools for in-person instruction, counties must have 14 consecutive days off of the California Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Monitoring List. Orange County has been identified as one of the counties that does not meet the criteria to open schools with an in-person format. As it stands today, Orange County and 30+ other counties across the state must begin the school year through online learning for students. If this remains the case, please know, the online learning offered in the FJUHSD will be enhanced and more robust in comparison to the emergency distance learning that we were required to implement unexpectedly in spring.

We will closely watch Orange County's ability to meet the requirements as outlined by the state for a potential in-person return to school date. Our district remains committed to meeting the needs of students, families, and staff given the current health scenarios and state directives. In alignment with the Governor's announcement, FJUHSD will proceed with crafting our return to school plans to comply with these new directives while keeping in mind potential forthcoming changes from the state and the county.

Thank you again for your patience and support as we take time to digest these new state guidelines for schools and school districts accordingly. Rest assured that we will send an update to families and employees next week as more information becomes available from both county and state authorities.

If you wish to read more about the Governor's statement today, please visit the Orange County Department of Education's newsroom website at <u>newsroom.ocde.us</u>. If you wish to see the new comprehensive guidance for schools and school districts from CDPH, please visit the California Department of Public Health's website at <u>COVID-19 Industry Guidance: Schools and School-Based Programs</u>.

Thank you and all the best to you and your families during this time.

Sincerely,

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Scott Scambray, Ed.D. Superintendent