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Dear Staff, Students, and Parents/Guardians,

Fullerton Joint Union High School District continues to actively monitor the public health climate of Orange County and is using this information to drive our opening of schools for the 2020-2021 school year. As you may already know, on Friday, July 17, 2020, California Governor Gavin Newsom made an announcement regarding the start of school, which includes guidance that schools cannot physically reopen for in-person instruction until the county is no longer on the State Monitoring List for 14 consecutive days. Currently, Orange County is on the <u>State Monitoring List</u>. The Governor also announced additional criteria for reopening schools for in-person instruction in counties that are not on the <u>State Monitoring List</u>. This announcement provides all California school districts with more guidance on when and how to safely physically reopen our schools. As a result, at the Special Board Meeting held on July 23, 2020, the Trustees took action to begin the 2020-2021 school year in a 100% Online Distance Learning Model.

We must plan for a variety of different possibilities coming into the new school year. As of today Orange County is on the State Monitoring List; therefore, on Tuesday, August 11, 2020 the District will need to start the school year in Stage 1, 100% distance learning for all students to comply with the state guidelines.

The District will be prepared to shift between the following learning models throughout the school year for all students, based on state, county and local health department guidance, orders and/or local conditions at the time.

3 Stage Plan for Opening Schools during the 2020-21 School Year:

Stage 1 - 100% Distance Learning Model (All students at home)

- Used when Orange County is on the California State Monitoring List and/or if a Stay-at-Home order is issued by state, county or local health officials.
- All students at home for start of 2020-21 school year on August 11
- Attendance accountability in each class
- Daily standards-based instruction
- Rigorous and engaging assignments
- Regular communication with students and parents

Stage 2 - Hybrid Cohort Model (A/B & C)

- Option to receive in-person class instruction 2 days per week and 3 days at home or 5 days at home.
 - Cohort A/B 2 days in-person class instruction + 3 days at home
 - Cohort C 5 days at home
- Used when Orange County is no longer on the California State Monitoring List for 14 consecutive days or longer <u>and</u> certain specific mandated reopening guidelines are met as per state requirements.

Stage 3 - 100% In-person Model (All Students)

- Used when the State of California moves to Stage 4 and Orange County/local conditions support instruction without the need for social distancing.
- Full time in-person return to each class.

As we get closer to the start of the year, I personally appreciate your continued patience and support. We remain dedicated to ensuring all students are provided with the opportunity to reach their full potential regardless of the platform for instruction. Collectively we will get through this together. The Board of Trustees and I thank you for your commitment and support, both to your student and to District staff. FJUHSD will prepare for all stages and notify parents in a timely manner.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact your school administration. Further details of reopening guidelines will be provided throughout the summer. For the latest information, please visit the FJUHSD website.

Sincerely,

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Scott Scambray, Ed.D. Superintendent