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Dear FJUHS Staff Members, Students, and Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back! I hope this message finds you and your loved ones rested and healthy as we return from the Thanksgiving Holiday. The District is aware of the current increase in COVID-19 cases. We understand that there may be concerns and questions and we want to reassure you that the situation is being monitored very closely. The County's adjusted Daily Case rate per 100,000 has remained in Tier 1 (Widespread). The other measurements outlined in California's Blueprint for a Safer Economy Test Positivity Rate and Health Equity Quartile Positivity Rate are currently classified in Tier 2 (Substantial).

The information below was published on the OCHCA Dashboard and provides specifics on how the data has changed since the District's communication prior to the Thanksgiving break:

1. Daily Case Rate per 100k tested: 22.2%
2. Testing Positivity Rate: 8.8%
3. Health Equity Quartile Positivity Rate: 13%

An article published in the *Orange County Register* on November 25, 2020, stated "a coronavirus database recently launched by the Orange County Health Care Agency shows a relatively low number of confirmed cases at schools since in-person instruction resumed in mid-August." The Orange County Department of Education has also confirmed that all 27 Orange County public school districts have a "low percentage of positive cases." **Currently, the percentage of positive cases of COVID-19 in the Fullerton Joint Union High School District is 0.44%.**

Fullerton Joint Union High School District is committed to the following CDC Considerations for Schools:

1. Promoting behaviors that reduce the spread of COVID-19
2. Maintaining healthy environments
3. Maintaining healthy operations
4. Preparing for when someone gets sick

As a reminder here are some behaviors that help reduce the spread of COVID-19:

1. Stay home when appropriate
2. Avoid close contact with others
3. Practice proper hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette
4. Wear face coverings

The health and safety of our school community is our top priority. We will continue to follow state and local health guidelines and we appreciate the efforts from our families to screen their students for symptoms of COVID-19 at home each day before arriving on campus. As has been our practice during this unprecedented time, we will continue to work closely with the California Department of Public Health and the Orange County Health Care Agency and will keep our community informed as we have new information.

Sincerely,

Scott Scambray, Ed.D.
Superintendent

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