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December 10, 2020

Dear BPSD Families,

As a precautionary measure in response to the rise in positive COVID cases in our city, the Buena Park School District will be moving back into the distance learning instructional model starting Monday, January 4, 2021, through Friday, January 29, 2021. This decision comes on the heels of the recent Regional Stay at Home Order announced by Governor Newsom urging Southern Californians to stay at home as much as possible to try and reduce the spread of COVID-19.

In preparation for the distance learning model in January, school schedules for the week of December 14, 2020, have been updated. We will continue with our current schedule on Monday and Tuesday. **Wednesday, December 16, 2020, and Thursday, December 17, 2020, all students will participate in asynchronous learning from home.** There will be no in-person instruction after Tuesday, December 15, 2020.

As you may know, schools are deemed essential. State and local health officials have cited a large body of evidence that the health and safety measures of schools such as physical distancing, wearing masks, ventilation enhancements, smaller cohorts, timely contact tracing/notifications, and enhanced cleaning and disinfecting protocols, have been effective in combating COVID-19. The District's COVID-19 Dashboard on our website provides the community information regarding current cases. We have had a minimal number of confirmed cases within the district, in part due to your diligent efforts to help keep our schools safe.

**While the Buena Park School District is in our Distance Learning model, our Kid Connection Child Care Program will remain open.**

Thank you again for your partnership, flexibility, and patience as we navigate this challenging and unprecedented chapter in BPSD's history together. As we have since the onset of COVID-19, we will continue to closely monitor this situation and follow guidelines from expert health agencies, while keeping our community informed.

Your school site principals will be sending you information regarding the schedules for distance learning starting Monday, January 4, 2021.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ramon Miramontes  
Superintendent