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Dear Buena Park Parents/Guardians,

On Monday, we were informed that the County of Orange has moved into the most restrictive, purple tier on the California reopening framework. District administrators continue to work with State and County health care professionals in monitoring the latest trends. At this time, K-12 schools that fully reopened for in-person instruction before November 16, 2020, are not required to close. Once a district is open, guidelines from the California Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Reopening In-Person framework indicate that closure of a school district is necessary if 25% or more of the schools in the district have closed due to COVID-19 within a 14-day time frame and in consultation with the local public health department.

To ensure the safety and well-being of our school communities, District administrators and nurses continue to work in conjunction with the local health care agencies to seek guidance from various health professionals such as:

- Dr. Chau, OC Health Department representative
- Pam Kahn, MPH, RN, NCSN, OCHCA and the OCDE Coordinator of Health and Wellness
- Amanda Taylor and Sarah Hacker, After Hour/Weekend OCDE Nurse Support
- The District school nurses and Health Clerks who monitor any symptomatic student

District Administrators have worked collaboratively, with guidance from the Orange County Health Care Agency, on Protocols and Notifications regarding any suspected cases or positive COVID-19 cases involving a student or staff member. Our staff members receive weekly updates that include information from the Orange County Health Care Agency related to our city and respective zip codes. Per the direction of OCHCA, the district will only notify students, staff, and/or families who have been potentially exposed to COVID-19 and instruct them to self-monitor for symptoms and to follow state and local guidance if symptoms develop. Also, our district COVID-19 Dashboard, located on our website, provides greater transparency for the public on the number of cases within the district.

Thank you for being attentive with following the safety procedures outlined in our Reopening Guidebook. The district is appreciative of our staff members and stakeholders who continue to work with us to ensure a safe, healthy, and positive school environment for our students.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ramon Miramontes
Superintendent