



# BONITA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Bonita Unified Students, Staff, and Families,

On March 5th, Bonita Unified School District confirmed a reopen date of April 5th for elementary students and set a target date of April 12th for secondary students to return to in-person instruction in a hybrid model. With the downward trend of case rates and the move into the red tier, we can now confirm a reopen date of April 12th for all secondary students in the hybrid model.

I know many of our students are excited and are looking forward to being back in a classroom. We are excited as well. Our April start dates represent a solid start in the progression to the increased in-person instruction that we have all wished for. Along with our upcoming reopening of schools, our high schools have also been able to begin playing football, water polo, spring sports, and beginning April 6, indoor sports will start.

Though this is a very positive step, returning to campus can result in anxiety. Any change in circumstance can elicit feelings of fear or stress. If you or your student requires support, please reach out to your principal. The health of our students, staff, and families is of paramount importance. Know that we have highly skilled mental health professionals ready and able to support you if needed.

Next week is spring break. Please use this time to rest and disconnect as we all prepare for a solid finish to the 2020-21 school year.

On behalf of the Board of Education, thank you for your continued partnership. We are looking forward to making April a great month.

Sincerely,

Carl J. Coles