



# BONITA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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March 16, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians:

First, on behalf of the Board of Education, I want to extend our sincere appreciation for your support during these unprecedented times. We certainly empathize with the anxiety that this time period has caused for many.

As you are aware, on Friday, March 13, 2020, the decision was made to temporarily close our schools until April 6, 2020. The closure of our schools was based on the recommendation from the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE). This included before and after school programs, such as School Age Care, sports, and all school-sanctioned extra-curricular activities.

The District is committed to the overall safety of our communities and the mitigation of the spread of COVID-19. We are also committed to providing our students with educational opportunities.

No later than tomorrow, March 17, 2020, all parents/guardians will receive an email/communication from your child's school outlining how students can access remote educational materials. We understand that remote learning presents challenges and may not be practical to all students. During the time that our schools are closed to students, all student work is optional and will not be used to determine/affect grades.

If you need to pick up your child's medications for use during the temporary closure of schools, site offices will be open tomorrow from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

After March 17, 2020, only essential staff will be permitted on campuses while the schools are closed to students.

In addition, we will be conducting sanitizing/cleaning of all facilities during this closure period in an effort to ensure the safest possible environment when students return.

Again, thank you for your patience and understanding as we make decisions for the health and safety of our students, staff, and communities. We will continue to update you as new information comes in through our communications app, the District website, and social media.

Respectfully,

Carl J. Coles  
Superintendent of Schools