



# BONITA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Bonita Unified Students, Staff, and Families,

Over the last 13 months, like all of you, Bonita Unified has worked hard to navigate the historic pandemic that has affected us all. Despite the frequent changes in laws and health protocols that govern us, our purpose in preparing all students to live their purpose remains unwavering. As the rules and health protocols continue to become less restrictive, we are committed to maximizing our efforts toward in-person services. With each step that we take in returning to the life we knew before the pandemic, not only is it a step toward "normalcy," but one step further in the healing process.

Accordingly, I am pleased to announce that we are ready to take the next step. On Monday, May 10, 2021, all students are welcome back to our schools four days a week, eliminating the hybrid A and B groups. We will maintain our daily schedule, and students can attend school in person Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Wednesdays will continue as distance learning only. The full distance learning model will still be available for any family that wants it. In the coming days, you will receive information from your child's school with more details.

The definition of hero includes words such as courage, strength, and noble qualities. When you pair these words, there is no doubt that the staff of Bonita Unified are some of the unsung heroes in this pandemic. Over the past 13 months, they have demonstrated courage, strength, and noble qualities ensuring all students receive a high-quality education, despite these challenging times. Our teaching staff has changed how they educate students three times in 13 months. Each change required a considerable amount of planning and preparation. They are an outstanding group of educators, and I am proud to work alongside them.

Next week is Teacher Appreciation Week and shortly after we will be celebrating Classified Appreciation Week. Please take a moment to express your gratitude to your child's teacher, thank a custodian, an aide, a food service worker, a secretary or an administrator for all they do to support the students, families, and communities we have the honor of serving.

On behalf of the Board of Education, thank you for your partnership and trust as we continue to navigate the pandemic and support our students.

Carl Coles

Superintendent

*"Preparing Every Student To Live Their Purpose"*