

Fontana Unified School District

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Dear Fontana Unified School District Family,

Fontana Unified School District (FUSD) is deeply committed to fostering a positive and secure learning environment for all students, with consistent, transparent communications with parents and community members. In all matters, the protection and safety of students is a top priority.

FUSD continues to work closely with and obtain guidance from the California Department of Public Health, the Center for Disease Control (CDC), and local public health agencies to monitor the latest updates regarding the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) and ensure the well-being of students. In light of new updates and directives from the CDC and public health departments, the health risk from the Coronavirus (COVID-19) to the general public in San Bernardino County remains low at this time. However, in an effort to be proactive, FUSD is implementing the following measures and encouraging the following actions:

PREVENTION

In keeping with standard best practices, FUSD is encouraging the following healthy habits among students and staff:

- Wash hands frequently for 20 seconds with soap and water (before and after eating, after restroom use, coughing or sneezing) including hand sanitizer
- Cover mouth with elbow or tissue when coughing
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, and mouth
- Clean surfaces regularly
- If someone does become sick with respiratory symptoms like fever and cough, they should stay away from work, school, or other people to avoid spreading illness and seek assistance from their healthcare provider.

In addition, FUSD is taking additional measures to ensure a healthy environment for students and staff:

- In the process of providing hand sanitizer for all classrooms, multi-use areas, and offices
- Additional custodial hours to allow for daily sanitization of all high contact surfaces, including desks and tabletops, light switches, door handles, drinking fountains and sinks

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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PREPAREDNESS

FUSD has emergency/safety preparedness plans in place at every school site that will be strictly followed, and which include:

- Comprehensive School Safety Plan
- Emergency evacuation maps
- Emergency supplies for each school site and district locations
- Emergency Notification Systems
- Frequent reminding of students on how to wash their hands regularly and adequately

SCHOOL CLOSURES, FIELD TRIPS, CONFERENCES

At this time, all schools will remain open in FUSD. There are no recommendations by public health officials to close schools in the district. However, should a COVID-19 outbreak occur and require school closures, you will be notified immediately and provided with information. Our top priority is the health and safety of our students and staff, and we will continue to work closely with the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health.

We are reviewing field trip and conference requests that are non-essential and restricting all conferences and field trips that require air travel.

Students, staff, and volunteers participating in field trips/conferences NOT requiring air travel, may elect to participate at their discretion. If they choose to participate, they are required to sign both the Field Trip Waiver and the "Assumption of Risk Coronavirus (COVID-19) and all Airborne Illnesses" waiver form (please see attached). This field trip, conference, and travel request policy will remain in effect until further notice.

For up to date information and questions about the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), additional information can be found on our <u>website</u> and through the <u>San Bernardino</u> <u>County Department of Public Health</u>, the <u>US Centers for Disease Control Prevention (CDC)</u>, and the <u>California Department of Public Health</u>.

Sincerely,

Randal S. Bassett Superintendent Leslie D. Woodman-Moore, MSN, APRN, CPNP

FUSD Health Services