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Dear Stockton Unified Students, Families and Staff,

Today, the Governor issued a new Stay at Home Order that will go into effect within 48 hours in regions with less than 15% Intensive Care Unit (ICU) availability. San Joaquin County is part of the San Joaquin Valley region which is expected to fall within this range in early December. The order prohibits private gatherings of any size, closes sector operations except for critical infrastructure and retail, and requires 100% masking and physical distancing in all others.

The order will remain in effect for at least 3 weeks and after that period will be lifted when a region's projected ICU capacity meets or exceeds 15%. This will be assessed on a weekly basis after the initial 3 week period. [Learn more about this order at covid19.ca.gov](https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Stay-at-Home-Order.aspx).

The health and safety of our staff and students continues to be our top priority. Please note the following operational updates for SUSD:

Day Camp and Afterschool Programs

The new Stay at Home Order allows our SUSD Day Camp Program and after school programs to continue operating. These programs will continue as scheduled with all COVID-19 safety protocols in place.

Athletics

As of now, athletic conditioning may take place after school hours. All conditioning will continue as scheduled with COVID-19 safety protocols in place.

Internal Operations

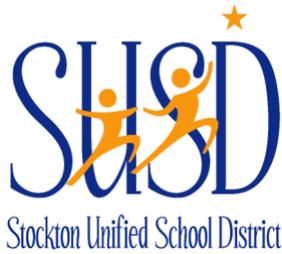
Administrators and supervisors are encouraged to continue their rotating/staggering of employee schedules. We are asking that ***all*** meetings take place virtually to avoid the mixing of more than three households. If employees have questions or concerns, they are asked to contact their direct supervisor. We ask all employees to continue abiding by COVID-19 safety protocols.

Meal and Curriculum Distribution

The District will continue to provide essential services, including the distribution of meals and curriculum to students. All distribution will continue as scheduled with COVID-19 safety protocols in place. Please visit www.stocktonusd.net/MealService to view the meal distribution schedule.

Guidance for Events

Only essential events may be held over the next several weeks. This includes ***only*** distribution of curriculum, technology, meals, and flu clinics. All other events (including, but not limited to, picture days, toy drives, craft kit drives, clothing drives, and incentivized events such as PBIS, attendance, athletic signings, etc) must be postponed until the order is lifted in San Joaquin County.



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Special Education

In-person Special Education assessments and IEPs are still allowed.

Distance Learning

We ask for patience and understanding as we continue to provide a high-quality Distance Learning experience to mitigate the health and safety impacts of COVID-19. Working together, we can and will meet this challenge. Your support and partnership in ensuring students are participating in distance learning is greatly appreciated.

“I appreciate and fully support the guidance we have received from our Governor, Public Health Officials, and State Superintendent of Education,” Brian Biedermann said. “While I am beyond eager to bring our students back for in-person learning, the health and safety of our school communities continues to be our number one priority.”

Stockton Unified will continue to monitor the developments related to COVID-19 (coronavirus) and will plan accordingly, in partnership with local, state, and federal health and government officials. Stay up to date with SUSD regarding the pandemic on the [SUSD Website](#), where we continue to add resources and post updates as we learn more.

In the coming days and weeks, our District and schools will provide students and families with information regarding the parameters for a safe return to in-person instruction. In order to receive this important information, please ensure that your child’s school has your most up-to-date email address and telephone number on file.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B Biedermann", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Brian Biedermann
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