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Jan. 8, 2021

To Staff and the Twin Rivers School Community,

The uncertainty of the COVID-19 virus continues to have a profound impact on all of us. **While we remain steadfast in our commitment to return students and staff for in-person instruction, we must delay our Jan. 19 scheduled return given the most recent Sacramento County Public Health stay-at-home order due to surging COVID-19 cases.** However, special education and English Learner in-person assessments and small group cohorts will be allowed to continue following state and county health guidelines.

Under current public health guidelines, schools may not reopen if their county has not been out of the purple tier (the most widespread COVID-19 tier) and in the red or lower tiers for at least two weeks. Sacramento County is in the purple tier. This makes it difficult to identify a new date when our schools will be allowed to transition to in-person learning. **So for now, classes will continue in the distance learning format.** We will continue to monitor the county's health status and also review Governor Newsom's new *Safe Schools for All* plan.

I know this is disappointing news. Many of you told me how hopeful and optimistic you were when the Board of Trustees voted unanimously in October 2020 to return to in-person/hybrid learning on Jan. 19. The Board's direction was, and still is, anchored by its unwavering commitment to prioritize the health and well-being of all staff and students. Let me assure you that the Board of Trustees will not deviate from our stated goal of protecting the personal health of our employees, students and families.

Please be aware that during this time District offices and schools remain closed to walk-ins and in-person appointments must be scheduled. Our TR management team will continue to work with all employees on the ability to work remotely, when possible.

As always, thank you for your patience, flexibility and adaptability.

Good News to Share

Student Achievement

- It's that time of year to reassess our students in i-Ready. The second diagnostic began Jan. 6 for students in grades K-8 and will be used to measure literacy skills and guide interventions. Remember, students must complete this on their own. Any help from parents or siblings could affect the results which would alter the student's lesson path.
- Teachers, here's the link to the weekly ELA Lessons: [ELA Lesson Design WAGs](#). To access, you must use your TR email account.

Outreach & Engagement

- The Intradistrict Transfer Open Enrollment window is open through March 12, 2021 for the next school year. An Intradistrict Transfer gives permission for students to attend a different school within the District other than the school designated by the student's established attendance area. Visit our [Intradistrict Transfer Open Enrollment webpage](#) for more information.
- Student Services and Early Childhood Education will host a **Virtual Enrollment Fair** beginning Jan. 12 – 22 to guide families on the steps for preschool, TK and kindergarten enrollment. Visit our [Virtual Enrollment Fair webpage](#) to register.
- Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) survey – Please be sure to click on <https://my.thoughtexchange.com/623574623> to provide your input as we update our LCAP.
- Family and Community Engagement workshop – *Supporting Your English Learner Together*. Click [HERE](#) for flyers (several languages) and registration information.

Take care and stay safe. I encourage all of you to follow COVID-19 public health guidelines—stay home when possible, wear a face covering in public, wash your hands frequently and refrain from socializing with individuals who do not reside in your household.

With warm regards,



Steve Martinez, Ed.D.
Superintendent, Twin Rivers Unified

Every Student, Every Day. Leaving No One Behind!