



Lakeside Union School District
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To our Lakeside Family:

I am hopeful that everyone is healthy and safe as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impact our local community. I know we have families that are being affected by this latest surge of COVID-19 and I hope we can continue to support each other, to get through this. From the beginning, the Lakeside Union School District's top priority has been the health and safety of our families, students, and staff members. I am proud of the hard work and extraordinary effort that everyone has demonstrated, as we have adjusted to ensure our students receive quality instruction and support during this challenging period. The time and energy you have all invested to ensure that our children's needs are put first is a testament to the values of our community.

Our local schools have become a safe haven for our students. The measures taken and safety protocols that have been implemented, have been extremely effective in limiting the spread of COVID-19. We strongly believe our schools are one of the safest places for children to be during these challenging times. However, the impacts of the pandemic surge outside of our school settings is having a dramatic impact on our efforts to provide in-person instruction at school. We now have four classrooms which have had to close due to positive cases or possible exposures away from school. In just two days this week, three positive cases were identified in our District. These unfortunate circumstances have caused a tremendous strain on our schools and impacted our ability to provide quality, in-person instruction for general education classes.

Yesterday evening, the LUSD School Board made a careful review of the facts of our situation, as well as the current information and data on the current surge of COVID-19 in zip codes 93311 & 93313. **Ultimately, the LUSD School Board took action to suspend in-person instruction for regular education classes as of Friday, December 11, 2020.** The District will continue to monitor pandemic conditions, in hopes of returning to in-person instruction as soon as it is possible to do so in a manner that is safe for students and staff.

- All regular education classes will return to 100% distance learning beginning Monday, December 14, 2020.
- In-person instruction for small co-horts of students who receive special services will continue as long as it is safe to do so.
- Daycare services with the Boys & Girls club will continue as long as it is safe to do so.

Like many of you, we are saddened by this current situation and hope to see our students return to their schools very soon. Best wishes to everyone for a safe and restful holiday season with your family.

Take care and be safe,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Ty Bryson".

Ty Bryson
Superintendent