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## **ALEJANDRO RUVALCABA, Superintendent**

July 31, 2023

Dear Rosemead Families,

We hope you are having a great summer, sharpening the saw, and taking some last-minute vacation time before the new school year.

Our district team has had a very busy summer. We held a very successful summer enrichment program and camp that served over 500 students. We have also been recruiting new team members, providing summer nutritional services for students, modernizing our schools, upgrading technology, improving school safety, conducting regular maintenance, and preparing for the new school year.

As we continue to implement safe, hygienic practices to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and other airborne illnesses, we will adhere to the following public health department recommendations:

- The use of face masks by healthy individuals as a precaution is a personal choice.
- Staff and students should conduct daily health self-screening. Sick individuals should stay home.
- Our District will continue COVID-19 symptomatic and response testing.
- Adherence to personal hygienic practices such as frequent handwashing and use of hand sanitizer.
- Adherence to current isolation protocols for COVID-19-positive and exposed individuals.

As an added precaution, we will distribute COVID home test kits to all students during registration. Each test kit contains two tests. We ask that all students take one of the tests Tuesday, August 15, 2023. The second test should be administered on Sunday, August 27, 2023. Students who test positive must isolate themselves at home and report their positive test results to their school immediately.

As you know, health guidance is subject to change as our health partners continue to monitor COVID-19. We will continue to keep you updated via parent updates and information on our district website, <a href="https://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/">https://www.rosemead.k12.ca.us/</a>.

In the coming days, you will receive specific information from your school site(s) regarding welcome-back events, parent orientations, and class/teacher assignments. You may also contact us at our district office (626) 312-2900 for more information. Lastly, if you know of a family new to our district, please let them know that we are eager to meet them and enroll our new students into our wonderful school district.

We wish you an excellent rest of your summer, and we look forward to seeing all of our students in person for the first day of school, Wednesday, August 16, 2023.

Respectfully,

Alex Ruvalcaba
Superintendent