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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Rosemead School District Board of Trustees, our teachers, support staff, and administrators hope that all of our families are doing well and remaining safe. Over the last 4 weeks, we have happily welcomed back to school individual students for assessments and small cohorts of English Learner (EL) students and students on an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) for inschool instruction and support. Recently, our county Department of Public Health (DPH) visited all of our schools to ensure we were adhering to all the appropriate safety protocols. We are pleased to share that DPH was extremely impressed by our preparedness and all of our schools fully passed their inspection. The return of this small group of students has been tremendously successful. We are providing in-school support to some of our neediest students in a safe environment.

On October 23, 2020, the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health (CLADPH) updated their Reopening Protocols for K-12 Schools again to permit schools to offer in-school services for small cohorts of students for up to 25% of the total school student body at any one time. This means that we will be able to offer additional students the opportunity for on campus instruction and support.

Our school district is working diligently to identify the additional students needing in-school support and to develop a timeline for them to begin on campus instruction. Below is important information and next steps as we look to welcome back students:

- Eligible students who will be invited for specialized in-school services will be contacted within the next few weeks by our school site administrative offices.
- Students will not be required to attend in-school specialized services if parents feel uncomfortable.
- Students invited for specialized in-school services will attend school for only part of the day, depending on the school site. A final schedule will be shared with students and parents by our site administrative offices.
- Per CLADPH protocols, all student groups will consist of 12 students or less, must maintain physical distancing, wear facial coverings, and practice proper hygienic practices.
- All students and staff entering our schools will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms, including a temperature screening, and monitored throughout the day to ensure safety.
- All invited students and parents will be allowed to visit schools, on an individual basis, prior to the scheduled start date to observe our protocols and safety practices.

It is important to emphasize that not all students will be invited to return, only students who have been determined to need inschool support will be invited as we must adhere to the 25% of the total student body count. We are hopeful that as the number of COVID-19 cases decreases, CLADPH will allow more students to attend school in person for instruction and support.

Respectfully,

Alejandro Ruvalcaba

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