

LIBERTY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Office of the Superintendent

Eric L. Volta

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Dear LUHSD Community,

As coronavirus (COVID-19) concerns continue to be in the news, we want to keep you updated on our plans for keeping our schools, students and employees safe. We are working closely with the Contra Costa County Office of Education (CCCOE), who in turn is working closely with Contra Costa County Health Services (CCCHS), and we will continue to provide families with new information when appropriate.

As you may know, the first Contra Costa County resident has now tested positive for the virus. While we currently are not being advised to close or alter school schedules, we are being asked to prepare for the potential impact that this virus may have in our county, and are planning for steps to limit and slow the spread of virus in our schools. Among these steps, the custodial staff at each of our schools are especially diligent with our cleaning and disinfecting procedures for classrooms, restrooms, offices and common area spaces. For the foreseeable future, our custodial staff will be cleaning/disinfecting all touchable surfaces within these areas.

In the meantime, County Health Services reminds to keep safe and:

- People who are sick should stay home from work or school until they are well.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
- Individuals with chronic health issues and/or individuals experiencing severe symptoms should be evaluated by a medical professional.
- Think about how to care for loved ones at home if they or you get sick, including how to prevent other family members from becoming infected.

At this time County Health Services is not recommending that we close schools. The County Health Services is looking at schools on a case by case basis and will recommend if they believe the school closure would stop the spread of the virus. They also urge parents to prepare for the possibility of keeping a sick student home from school.

We encourage you to also visit the County Health Services website at: https://cchealth.org/coronavirus/. Additional information can be found on the Centers for Disease Control website at: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/.

We will continue to work closely with our County partners to monitor the situation and provide updates as necessary. If you have questions or concerns, I encourage you to call our Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, Dr. Tony Shah at (925) 634-2166 ext. 2028.

Sincerely,

Eric Volta, Superintendent