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Eric L. Volta, Superintendent

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Dear LUHSD Community,

Today, Contra Costa Health Services (CCHS) released new updated guidelines for “social distancing”. As you can see from the attached communication CCHS expects these guidelines to remain in place for the next two weeks or through March 27. CCHS is advising that all non-essential gatherings of 50 or more people within an arm’s length of each other should be canceled or postponed. Currently, CCHS is not advising schools to close. If it is determined that an LUHSD student or staff member has a confirmed case of COVID-19, or if they have come in contact with someone that has a confirmed case, LUHSD will work in conjunction with CCHS to determine appropriate measures. Therefore, to be in alignment with the CCHS social distancing recommendation LUHSD will:

- Continue school through Friday, March 13.
- Postpone non-essential school activities to comply with the mass gathering threshold of 50 people at arm’s length. This will include performances, rallies, assemblies, dances, fundraisers, etc.
- CIF/NCS sanctioned sporting events and practices will go on, however unfortunately in order to comply with the CCHS guidelines we will not allow spectators, including drivers, parents and guardians, on campus for these activities. Only those adults needed to manage the event will be allowed. (e.g. judges, officials, timers, coaches, etc.)
- Activities that have been scheduled outside of Contra Costa will follow the local County’s health department guidelines where the event is taking place. This includes athletic events and field trips.
- Outside user agreements for our facilities will be canceled for the next two weeks.

From the onset of this outbreak we have said that we will follow the guidelines from CCHS. We believe, along with other county superintendents, these protocols follow those guidelines AND keep our students safely supervised in our school facilities. It is important to remember that at the time of this writing, no student or staff member has contracted the COVID-19 virus in Contra Costa County with an enrollment of over 177 thousand students. Currently, per the CCHS web site, there are 9 confirmed cases in Contra Costa County.

At this point school will resume on March 30 as planned. Updates will be communicated via Parent Connect and district/school websites. We appreciate your patience in helping us follow the CCHS guidelines

Sincerely,

Eric Volta