



## RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear RUSD,

We remain in close contact with the El Dorado County Health Department and El Dorado County Office of Education and thankfully **there are no confirmed cases of COVID 19 in Rescue Union School District or El Dorado County.**

**This afternoon, Dr. Nancy Williams, the County Public Health Officer from the El Dorado County Department of Public Health stated that schools should remain open,** despite the fact that the County has been declared a public health emergency. **The Press Release is attached.**

We will continue following the additional guidelines put forth by the California Department of Health. These guidelines include the following:

- Minimizing non-essential gatherings such as field trips, assemblies, rallies, gala events, programs, dances, etc.
- We have canceled athletic competitions through April 3.
- Recesses and lunches have been staggered.
- Daily sanitization of classrooms and other highly used areas is occurring by custodial staff.
- Use of pre-packaged food offerings in the cafeteria.
- We are canceling the use of our facilities by outside groups/clubs/teams.
- We are encouraging the everyday preventive actions shared in earlier letters, such as hand-washing, using tissues, covering coughs, extra sanitizing on a daily basis by custodial staff, and remaining home until fever has been gone for at least 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medicines.
- We are encouraging social distancing outside.

**The Department of Health considers gatherings in classrooms to be essential.**

We thank you for your support and help through this time. We will continue to communicate consistently throughout the next months as we navigate this challenging situation. The safety and well-being of our teachers, staff, administrators, students and families is our top priority.

Most sincerely,

Cheryl Olson

Cheryl Olson, Superintendent

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