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Dear RUSD Staff and Families,

I am sure you join me in feeling deep sorrow regarding the heartbreaking events that occurred yesterday in the United States Capitol. While I am not emailing to express an opinion, I want to encourage us as adults, parents, and citizens of the United States to be a positive example and role model for our children and students. It is important for us to continue encouraging our children and students to do what is right and good, to be respectful, and problem solve in a productive manner. This will go far in making sure our young people grow up to be the next productive and contributing community members and leaders.

I also want to let you know that as we come to the end of our first week back from winter break, we have had a few positive cases of COVID, but since we had been on winter break, and because most of the individuals have not been at their school sites since having symptoms, only one has led to the quarantining of additional individuals. We have been in regular communication with public health, and our nursing staff continues to monitor symptoms and cases closely. We have had one positive student COVID case at Lakeview, two positive staff cases in our Hybrid program, and one positive staff member from our Frontier program, but again, none of these have exposed anyone else in our schools. Today we received word that a student at Marina is presumed positive, and we quarantined one teacher and four students. Please remember that if someone in your family who is a close contact tests positive, ALL members of the family who are close contacts MUST quarantine even if they do not exhibit symptoms or if public health has not contacted you yet. A close contact is someone you have been within six feet for 15 or more minutes. This is very important.

We thank you for your diligence in adhering to our health and safety protocols not only at school, but at home and in the public. It does make a difference. Please remember that if we indeed return to a more full time schedule on January 25th, it is mandated by Governor Newsom as well as the November 16, 2020 California Department of Public Health guidance document that all individuals over age 2 wear face coverings. Our TK-2 grade students may wear clear face shields if they prefer, but all students and staff must wear a face covering. You may see the entire document attached to this email. We thank you in advance for following this mandate with us beginning on January 25 when we are scheduled to be in school more full time.

Thank you again for being part of our Rescue family.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Olson

Cheryl Olson, Superintendent

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