



RESCUE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Rescue Staff and Families,

Welcome back! We sincerely hope that each of you were able to enjoy time with family over Thanksgiving and you are ready for the last bit of time before winter break.

As you know, over the month of November we have experienced a substantial increase in COVID-19 throughout our larger community and although it appears to be impacting a relatively smaller number of students and employees, we are noting an increase among both groups.

With that said, we know that the next few weeks may present significant challenges if the numbers of cases impacting our schools continue to increase. As a result, we again request your help to mitigate the risk of the virus spreading in our schools. To date, due to our diligence and adherence to our health and safety protocols, we are grateful that we have not observed student to student or employee to student transmission of the virus. With all of us continuing to work together on this, we hope to keep this record of success going.

Please consider the following as we return to school tomorrow:

1. If your child is exhibiting any cold or flu-like symptoms or your family has recently (last 2 weeks) been around anyone with COVID-19 or anyone with cold or flu-like symptoms, please keep your child home on Monday and contact your school office for further guidance.
2. Please remind children about the importance of wearing a face covering in a manner that covers both the nose and mouth. Consider sending your TK-2 grade child to school with a mask also, so they may begin practicing the wearing of a mask between now and January 4.
3. Encourage your children and family to practice physical distancing when in the community and at school.
4. Monitor children to ensure they are hand washing frequently.

As always, we will close individual classroom cohorts if it is suspected that the virus has spread beyond close contacts in a classroom cohort. Additionally, according to the California Department of Public Health, individual school closure may be appropriate when there are at least 5 percent of the total number of teachers/student/staff testing positive within a 14-day period. In the event of a classroom or school closure, teachers and students will move to Distance Learning for a period of 14 days.

Thank you for your continued support of our schools as we face a challenging three weeks before winter break. We are truly grateful to you and for you. It takes all of us, students, staff, and families, working together, to navigate this difficult time. We are here to serve our students and families. We do not take this lightly. Thank you for all you do to support our endeavor.

Most sincerely,

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