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## Coronavirus (COVID-19) Communication #17

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Dear Upland Unified School District Staff, Families and Community

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work through these unique and challenging times. As your new Superintendent of Schools, I've been impressed by the strength and collaboration of our entire District community, and I look forward to getting to know you in the weeks and months ahead.

Many of you are eager to hear the specifics for the opening of the school year. Our Upland Unified team of administrators, teachers and students continues to carefully analyze all available options and monitor community feedback to determine the best next steps. We understand the importance of students returning to school for optimal learning, as well as social emotional well-being. While the situation remains somewhat fluid based on a variety of health and safety factors – as well as potential directives from the county and state – it is our desire to open all schools in a blended model, which includes some in-person learning and some online learning.

Tomorrow, Gov. Newsom is expected to release updated guidelines that might or might not impact our ability to physically open our campuses. The state currently is in Stage 2 of [California's Resilience Roadmap](#), due to an increase of COVID-19 cases. **If we stay in this more restrictive stage or move to stage 1, we would likely open schools on August 26th in full distance learning.** Below is a brief description of how our schools will operate at each stage.



Please note that the models mentioned above are in the planning stages and ongoing discussion and refinement will occur. Additionally, we are collaborating with our unions to ensure our models provide adequate support to both students and staff. Also note that our plans will be continually reviewed, flexible and adapted based on updated guidance, executive orders and local health conditions.

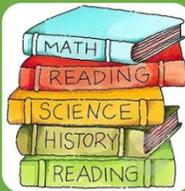
For families who do not want to return to school in our blended model. We do have two alternative programs available.

## UPLAND UNIFIED ALTERNATIVE LEARNING PROGRAMS



### Full Distance Learning

- 100% Online, Structured Learning Schedule
- Teacher led Instruction
- Full Access to School-Based Supports
- Requires a commitment to daily online instruction



### Home-School Option

- Flexible Learning Schedule
- Family Centered Instruction (*Independent study*)
- Curriculum resources provided by district
- Requires a contract and commitment to regular check-ins

Please click [here](#) to select how you would like your student(s) to return to school. You must complete the form for each child in your family. Please complete the form no later than **Friday, July 31st**.

Currently, the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health is not allowing athletics or other extra-curricular activities based on direction from the state. When feasible, activities will resume within very strict guidelines that follow the guidance of the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS).

Again, I would like to thank you for your patience and understanding during these unprecedented times. Your support is important as we work together to ensure that all students have the opportunity to receive the best education possible.

I also want to underscore what an honor and privilege it is to be your Superintendent, and how much I look forward to meeting you. I have served students for more than 25 years in many roles – as a coach, teacher, counselor, principal, Assistant Superintendent and Chief Academic Officer – and believe that the education of our children is a community's most important responsibility.

Beginning next Wednesday, July 22, I will host several Superintendent's Forum via Zoom. Here is the link to participate: <https://bit.ly/UUSDCOMMUNITYFORUM> (password 064011). I look forward to using this platform to provide updates and hear your thoughts and suggestions.

Warmest regards,

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