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Dear TUHSD Parents/Guardians,

We are looking forward to having our students join us on August 4th for the 2020-2021 school year. Student academic achievement is our united focus.

At our Governing Board meeting on July 28, the Tolleson Union High School District Governing Board voted to delay in-person student learning through the first quarter of the school year, which is October 9 on our school calendar. This means that online learning will begin on the first day of school for all TUHSD students, August 4, and continue until October 9. The Governing Board made this decision with the well-being and health of our students and staff members in mind and in response to Governor Ducey's Executive Order 2020-51 issued on July 23, 2020.

TUHSD wants nothing more than to be able to serve our students in-person as soon as possible, but we also need to make sure that it is done without compromising the health of our students and staff members. Governor Ducey, in his Executive Order, indicated that school districts consider health benchmark data when making decisions with regards to opening our campuses for student in-person learning. We will monitor closely and carefully all health benchmark data presented by county health officials in the coming weeks and months, and use this information to determine further courses of action. We will continue to communicate with our parents and staff in a timely manner information affecting the school year.

To confirm, online education for all students will start on August 4, 2020 and continue until October 9. Information will be provided to parents and students on what to do on the first day of school. Laptops are being distributed to ensure that quality learning begins and continues on the first day of school. Meal packs and home delivery of meals will be starting soon. As we gear up for the start of the 2020-2021 school year, we want our families and staff members to know that we will proceed as cautiously and as safely as possible.

If you have any specific issues regarding the start of school, please reach out to your student's school directly. As always, the latest information can be found on our District and school websites and on our social media platforms.

These are trying times for all of us and we appreciate your understanding and patience. Please stay safe!

Sincerely,

Nora Gutierrez
Superintendent