



SYLVAN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

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DEBRA M. HENDRICKS
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Dear Sylvan Union School District Families and Community,

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We want to communicate with you as we continue to navigate the changing landscape with COVID-19 and work together with Stanislaus County Office of Education. We continue to receive updates from our County Public Health and have ongoing meetings with Stanislaus County Office of Education, who is receiving updates from the Governor.

As a reminder:

- SUSD schools will close at the end of the day Wednesday, March 18th.
- If keeping your child home on Tuesday, March 17th and/or Wednesday, March 18th, is the right thing for your family, please do so. As a parent/guardian, please call in your student's absence, and it will be marked excused.
- If sending your child to school is the right thing for your family at the time, please continue to do so for Tuesday, March 17th and Wednesday, March 18th.
- SUSD schools will be closed from March 19th through April 5th.
- If the closure is extended, District staff will be in communication with families.

To continue to serve and support our students and families, we are in the process of determining a food distribution program for people age 18 and younger, similar to our annual Summer Feed program. All Sylvan Families will receive information once this plan is finalized.

We know that your child's learning is very important to you and that you may have concerns about your child's absence this week and during the extended break from school. At this time, we will not provide homework packets, make-up work, or independent study materials. If the closure extends beyond April 5th, we will provide additional information. While we recognize and applaud a family's desire to maintain a focus on academic progress, our greatest concern is for the well-being of your child. With your support and guidance, the best lessons for your child to develop, during this time of many unknowns, are resiliency and humanity. When the time comes to return to school, we look

Our Mission:

To provide a dynamic, broad-based education that prepares each child to be a contributing member of society.

forward to welcoming back your happy and healthy child and resuming the Sylvan standards of academic excellence.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Debra M. Hendricks". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'D' and 'H'.

Debra M. Hendricks
Superintendent