Cuyama Joint Unified School District

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Dear Cuyama Joint Unified School District Parents and Families,

I would like to again take this opportunity to thank you for all of your support and cooperation in successfully navigating distance learning over these first 7 weeks of school. Our teachers and support staff have been very dedicated and have worked hard to make distance learning engaging and rigorous.

Over the next few weeks (October through December) our Board of trustees and staff will be having discussions on the process to begin to transition towards a hybrid and/or in-person instructional program. Our Board and staff will continue to monitor the process of the SB county moving through the Tier framework (including the Equity focus) over the next couple of months.

In addition, the District staff has started the process of reviewing the SB County Public Health current tier framework data at a (staff meeting) and to have discussions on what that data represents. These discussions will continue to be ongoing in the weeks ahead.

We do want to assure you that as we are having these discussions, we want you to know that the health and safety of our students and staff is our top priority. Regardless of when we are able to make the transition to a hybrid and/or in-person instruction, safety will be at the forefront of our decisions. I do know that many families are eager for a hybrid or in-person instructional program, and we are as well. However, we must ensure that this process is done with the utmost caution. While we do not have a start date for the transition to a hybrid or for in-person instruction, families will be given at least two weeks' notice before the transition to a hybrid or in-person instruction were to begin. Thank you in advance for your patience during this process. One thing that that we have all learned during this pandemic is that things can change quickly, and we have to adapt to the changing situation. This is why we are taking very a very cautious approach to ensure the safety and well-being of our students and staff. We will keep you apprised of any new developments in the weeks and months ahead.

Sincerely,

Alfonso Gamino

Superintendent

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