



ACTON-AGUA DULCE

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

"EMPOWERING TODAY'S LEARNERS TO THRIVE IN TOMORROW'S WORLD"

March 5, 2021

Dear AADUSD Families,

I would like to thank you for your continued patience. District staff and I hope that you and your families are doing well.

At last week's Board meeting, the Board approved a memorandum of understanding between the Acton-Agua Dulce Teachers Association (AATA) and the District. The MOU will allow us to implement in-person instructional support for some of our senior students at Vasquez High School. The MOU is on our website <https://www.aadusd.k12.ca.us/domain/24>

I announced the reopening of in-person instruction for our K-6 students in a hybrid model. While the MOU is still under negotiations between the District and AATA, the teachers are entitled to a ten-day notification period that allows them to prepare for students' return for in-person instruction. During the Board meeting, I mistakenly stated March 15 as one of the dates of return. My apologies. Here are the dates of return:

- March 17, students in grades K-2 (Hybrid model - 2 half days per week for in-person instruction - either Monday and Tuesday or Thursday and Friday)
- March 22, students in grade 12 (staff will contact specific seniors following the MOU in order of priority to ensure they are receiving the support they need to graduate at the end of the school year)
- March 22, students in grades 3-6 (Hybrid model - 2 half days per week for in-person instruction - either Monday and Tuesday or Thursday and Friday)

The District has submitted our Covid 19 Safety Plan to the County and State on time. The Department of Public Health (DPH) required us to make a couple of minor revisions. We resubmitted the document within a day of being notified. Our plan is on track to be approved no later than Tuesday, March 9, 2021.

As we have experienced this entire past year, we make decisions based on information that changes rapidly. At this time, we are in the red zone, meaning that the daily rate of Positive Covid 19 cases is between 4.0 and 7.0 per 100K population. Once we are in the red zone for 14 consecutive days, the DPH will allow students in grades 7-12 to return to school for in-person instruction. They have not developed the guidelines yet for grades 7-12. Therefore, we have not put together a plan for those grade levels. However, we have generated some sample hybrid models, but we won't know if the plans comply until the DPH releases their guidelines.

As always, please stay safe and healthy.

Sincerely,

Lawrence King

