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Dear Windsor Community,

Yesterday, March 3rd, we received updated guidance from the County Health Department regarding the number of stable groups that are allowed for Middle and High schools. Therefore, I wanted to provide you with another update.

For grades TK-6, the district will be allowed to reopen so long as the County case rate is below 25 per 100,000 (currently around 10 per 100,000). Therefore, TK-6 grade students can be brought back even if the County is in the purple tier.

Students in grades 7-12 are only allowed to return to in person instruction once the County enters the red tier as dictated by the California Department of Public Health. It is anticipated that Sonoma County will enter the red tier in the coming weeks. **The updated guidance, and the fact that Sonoma County is projected to be in the red tier within the next couple of weeks will allow us to open for ALL students in grades TK-12 on April 5, 2021.**

In previous updates I have explained that there were two paths to reopening, one that was dependent on vaccinations (open in purple tier) and an accelerated path to reopening that was dependent on County metrics improving to the point of entering the red tier. Unfortunately, the County has not progressed to the red tier as of yet. As such, for the sake of clarity, the District is going to move forward with April 5th date as the date to reopen for all grade levels, and groups. The district will not be bringing back any students prior to April 5th.

Tomorrow, school sites will be sending out a survey that details what the return to school on April 5th looks like (schedule, days in person, safety, etc.), and asks you whether or not you plan to have your child return for in-person instruction. Please take the time to fill out this survey as it is critical to our planning for the reopening of our schools.

I don't know about you, but I can hardly contain my excitement at the prospect of having our students return to campus...even if it is in a modified capacity. Thank you for all you do, and I can't wait to see all of these students back on campus!

Sincerely,

Jeremy Decker

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