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Dear Central School District Families,

Thank you for your ongoing patience, support and understanding as we continue to work through the challenges of distance learning. It is hard to believe that today marks the first day of the second trimester. I can honestly tell you that I never imagined when we began this school year that we would not yet be able to open our schools for in-person instruction. Yet, here we are.

We continue to monitor our county and district data to guide our reopening decisions. San Bernardino County and Central School District continue to be in the "Purple" Widespread tier of the Governor's Blueprint for a Safer Economy. We have been informed by the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health that the county case rates have continued to rise since Labor Day. As a result, schools in San Bernardino County must remain closed unless an elementary waiver is granted by the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health. With our continued "Purple" tier status, the increase in cases in our District and County, and the flu season upon us, at this time, we have decided against applying for an elementary waiver, that could allow small cohorts of TK-5 grade students only to return to our elementary schools on a limited basis.

As we wait for conditions to improve to allow for the safe return of students for in-person instruction, the District continues to focus its efforts on ensuring that safety protocols and conditions are in place on our school campuses. At this time, it is impossible to know exactly when our county might move into, and sustain, the required "Red" Widespread tier status that will allow our schools to open for small cohort instruction. We continue to work with the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health, our employees and our Central School District Board of Trustees to develop timelines, safety protocols, and models of instruction for a successful reopening of in-person instruction.

As conditions change, we will continue to update you regarding all of our reopening plans in advance to ensure that you have adequate time to prepare. We greatly appreciate the support of our staff and community as we continue to navigate our way back to the physical return of school.

Sincerely,

Donna L. Libutti Superintendent