



Our Education Committee met again this month and had a hearty discussion about the reopening of schools. Several of our Principals explained what school reopening will look like for elementary schools and how it will be different for middle and high schools.

Although school staff will face overwhelming challenges one thing was clear, our educators are ready to face these challenges head-on and are looking forward to the day they can get back to doing what they love, teaching.

We also welcomed a new representative from the Encino Neighborhood Council who will be up for re-election soon. We wish her all the best and look forward to the prospect of working with her more.

Both representatives from L.A.U.S.D. Board members Scott Schmerelson's office and Nick Melvoin's office were in attendance and discussed the Town Hall meetings they have been hosting for parents and the community. They too have been working hard to find solutions for parents and educators alike. The partnership our schools have with each office is invaluable.

The Encino Chamber is looking forward to a day when we can once again celebrate the hard work our teachers put in to making our future better by teaching our community's children. In the meantime, we are looking for new opportunities to show our appreciation. If you have any ideas, please email them to [diana@gelbgroup.net](mailto:diana@gelbgroup.net).

Finally, it was decided after hearing about the coordination it will take to reopen schools, that our next committee meeting will be held on Thursday, April 15<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. via Zoom. We will then go dark until school starts back up in August. We hope you will join us!