

Good Morning Spartan Students and Families,

I write to you this morning with a tortured heart. In the last week, we have received multiple notifications from the state and county that have alerted us to the wide spread surge in Covid cases in our bi-county and now Sacramento region. Governor Newsom's latest guidance is here: [Covid Guidance CA](#). This message coupled with the latest strong recommendation and advice from Dr. Luu, the Yuba and Sutter County Health Officer, that **ALL** schools in the Bi-county area to proceed with distance learning beginning next Monday December 7. As a side note, we have been advised by the Sutter County Office of Education and our legal team to consider all recommendations and now advisories from Health officials as orders.

- There are 4 items that are explicitly stated in Dr. Luu's Advisory:
 - Limit activities outside of your household and outside of your home. Strive to limit outings outside of your home to ONCE per week for vital activities (groceries, medicines, care of elderly or dependent relatives) and do not allow others outside of your household into your home.
 - **Revert schools to distance learning for ALL grades.**
 - No in-person dining - regardless of outdoor or indoor.
 - Suspend all in-person county, city, and other governmental functions as determined by the respective governing board.

With the latest announcements from various state and county officials as well as information of some recent possible cases in our community, ***I and the ENHS school board must advise that we will continue on our distance learning schedule for the remainder of the semester.***

Please know that everyone in our ENHS nation, including teachers, administrators, staff members, and board members absolutely want our students back in school.

I have consistently promised all in our Spartan Community that your safety is my number one priority. All of us have worked so hard to find our way during this difficult and complex year. I remain deeply humbled by your efforts. I am very concerned about the emotional toll this has taken on ALL of us, but especially our young Spartans. I mentioned right before Thanksgiving break that we were committed to coming back next Monday. I am always accountable as the leader and never make excuses. I am deeply sorry that we find ourselves back at this point. I can only say I am sincerely sad as I feel I have failed you.

Next two Weeks

- All students will remain on distance learning starting Monday, December 7th.
- We will continue with our distance learning schedule.
- We will message out our potential plan for post-Christmas vacation next week.
- Please check our website for all announcements.

There is no substitute for in person instruction, but we will provide the best education that we are able to under our distance learning plan.

Please see these various links for additional information:

[Yuba Sutter Heath Website](#)

[Yuba Sutter Health Advisory December 4 2020](#)

[Yuba Sutter Health Advisory](#)

IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE A SPARTAN

Yours,

Mark

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