

September 16, 2020

Dear Live Oak Families and Friends,

During Town Hall #4, we laid out plans for the fall which included our time for distance learning to continue for roughly the first six weeks of school. Since then, as we continue moving forward, it has become clear that we will need to continue with distance learning at through the 12th week of school which is November 6. At least two weeks prior, I will review circumstances to inform our plans for the next consecutive six weeks. I will meet with the Board on September 24 to present this recommendation in a formal resolution just like our previous resolution which can be found [here](#).

Also, I want to pass along information from the County Office of Ed. Recently, the State unveiled a new color system for all counties and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) clarified that counties need to be in the **red tier for a minimum of two weeks** before being allowed to reopen for in-person student instruction. The State is continuing to work on clarifying the information on the new [website](#).

As it turns out, Live Oak's timeline coincides with the guidelines of our County Office of Education with regards to when we will be reviewing health and safety circumstances in making our next learning model decision by or before November 6.

Dr. Sundari Mase, the Sonoma County Public Health Officer also passes along to please note that COVID-19 is not contained in Sonoma County. The current case rate puts Sonoma County in the widespread (purple) transmission tier. The County has linked cases to preschools and childcare facilities.

Thank you for your continued perseverance and patience during this time.

Best,
Justin Tomola
Director