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Fresno Unified Granted Waiver from County and State

Fresno Unified learned late Wednesday afternoon that its waiver request to the Fresno County Department of Public Health and California Department of Public Health was approved, providing the district with additional options should the county return to the purple tier. Right now, and for the remainder of the semester, Fresno Unified remains focused on returning small, stable cohorts of its highest-need students to campuses in phases. It began this process on Oct. 12, with small groups of students returning to schools to do their online learning. With the required safety practices, including physical distancing, the district continues to work with its labor partners to identify a path forward that provides the opportunity for all students and staff to eventually return to campus.

“We’re going to take a methodical, phased in approach for returning our students to in-person instruction, with a focus on safety, stability and high-quality instruction,” said Superintendent Bob Nelson.