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STATEMENT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

District Moves Forward with Reopening on April 6 as County is Poised to Enter Red Tier

We can't wait to welcome our students back to campus beginning April 6. Our teachers, staff and leaders continue to work incredibly hard to plan and adjust for a hybrid schedule after spring break. The hybrid schedule will utilize simultaneous instruction to teach those in class and their classmates learning at home at the same time, which provides the stability of remaining for the rest of the year with the same teacher whether students are in person or learning at home virtually. Our county continues to move in the right direction in reducing new COVID-19 cases and with other critical pandemic data. Fresno County's announcement this week that it has reached the reduced COVID-19 numbers necessary to move out of the most restrictive tier, and into the red tier, supports our plan to return to in-person instruction after the spring break. Over the upcoming holiday break, please help continue this positive trajectory; this is not the time to back off from our safety practices, such as mask-wearing, handwashing and avoiding gatherings.

Moving forward, we are aware that the CDC has issued new guidelines as COVID cases continue to drop nationwide and new scientific evidence is available. We are utilizing these new guidelines to plan for outdoor graduations and summer learning opportunities.

While this is an exciting time, there will be some bumps along the way as we reopen schools. We look forward to our ongoing partnership with our families to help support changes and adjustments as new processes are put in place to meet the needs and safety of our students.

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