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Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent

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Re: Returning to School Sites

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Dear Mr. Fisher:

This letter conc

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Isa Sheikh Student Board Member guidance from the California

Department of Public Health (CDPH) and Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH) for when the District will be eligible for such a return once Sacramento County has been in the Substantial (red) tier for at least two weeks. The District also is planning for the certainty that some of our students and staff will be returning to our school sites very soon for in-person targeted specialized support and services consistent with SCPH guidelines and CDPH Cohort guidance. In addition, we would also include for our discussions a return to limited athletics activities at our sites, again consistent with the guidelines for youth sports conditioning issued by SCPH.

These discussions are critical because many of our students are in desperate need of inperson instruction and support. This includes many of our students from across our diverse district, especially our English Language Learners, Students with Disabilities, Homeless Students and Foster Youth Students. Many families are also struggling to by state, federal, and local authorities, such as with the recent issuance of <u>SCPH's</u> <u>Recommended Covid-19 Protocols For Schools</u>. As such, we expect that the discussions concerning the physical reopening of our school sites will center on the specific health and safety protocols that relate to District employees.

As you know, the District would also like to resume negotiations on our successor contract as soon as possible so that we can address the pressing fiscal matters facing the District as set forth in our letter of September 16, 2020. **Therefore, we plan to separate our discussions** concerning the negotiable effects of reopening our school sites for the purposes outlined above.

The District hopes that SCTA will resume these discussion as they will be critical to ensuring that our students and staff can return to our school sites as soon as possible and when their health and safety can be provided for, and propose meeting on October 2, 5, 6, or 7, 2020, at 3:00 p.m. The District values SCTA's partnership in supporting its students, and looks forward to working collaboratively on this challenging yet vitally important process.

Sincerely,

Jorge A. Aguilar Superintendent