



Sacramento Valley Charter School

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Dear SVCS Community:

By now you must have read the news that Elk Grove Unified School District has officially closed all their district schools until March 13th after a family connected with one of their schools tested positive for the Coronavirus.

The safety of all SVCS's scholars is our top priority, and we take the current outbreak of the Coronavirus very seriously. We are currently deliberating on protocols for school closure, including the possibility of remote learning in case school closures are announced for the safety of our scholars and their families.

At present, to the best of our knowledge, no SVCS scholar and/or family member has been diagnosed with the Coronavirus. SVCS is in constant contact with Yolo County Health & Human Services Agency and Washington Unified School District. We continue to monitor the situation and will advise and update you if we see the necessity to close SVCS.

SVCS Board of Directors (Board) convened a Special Board Meeting on March 4th, to review necessary steps for the safety of all SVCS scholars due to the Coronavirus. The Board noted that every day school buses and vans are to be cleaned thoroughly, including door handles, seats and other surfaces. Drivers and yard supervisors have been directed and advised to follow proper cleaning procedures. Janitors are being required to mop, clean classrooms, and to disinfect doors and windows. Teachers remind scholars to wash their hands frequently and advise them to avoid touching their face. As a precautionary measure, we have cancelled all field trips, morning assemblies and other big events.

In an update from Yolo County, as of March 6th, 2020, there is ONE confirmed case of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-2019) in Yolo County. The individual is an adult female, who is currently hospitalized and is improving. From initial interviews, she acquired the disease through community transmission.

In the meanwhile, we will continue to practice precautionary measures as I have communicated in my previous letters. We recommend that you keep following these precautions for the safety and well-being of your scholars and family members.

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.

For more information, please visit:

<https://www.yolocounty.org/health-human-services/adults/communicable-disease-investigation-and-control/coronavirus>

<https://dhs.saccounty.net/PUB/Pages/Communicable-Disease-Control/2019-Novel-Coronavirus-%282019-nCoV%29.aspx>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>

Thank you for your attention in the health and well-being of our scholars and communities. We will keep you updated in case there is a need to close SVCS.

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