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Re: Joint message from Barton Health and LTUSD; Regular Board Meeting August 11; and Good News to Know

Good afternoon LTUSD friends and families,

In an on-going effort to collaborate on the status of COVID-19 and the impacts it is having on the reopening of our schools to in-person learning, LTUSD is meeting weekly with Barton Health to review and evaluate the most up to date and current data regarding case numbers, transmission rates, positivity rates, testing availability, and the status of South Lake Tahoe as a community within El Dorado County. These weekly meetings allow for LTUSD and community health providers to assess the local impacts and review data trends that will allow for decisions to be made every six weeks. This joint collaboration specifically looks at El Dorado County as a whole and the South Lake Tahoe community in relationship to Governor Newsom's criteria for allowing counties and Local Health Jurisdictions (LHJ) to remain off the monitoring list. **The number of cases in South Lake Tahoe (LHJ) continues to be 3x the state threshold for the monitoring list, even though El Dorado County is not on the monitoring list.** It is our goal to provide the community with a weekly update resulting from this collaborative partnership. We will provide the most up to date information that will allow our community to plan, as we know the school district plays such a vital role in supporting our students and families in our community. LTUSD, in accordance with the [approved Pandemic Plan](#), will analyze the following data for the decision making process:

- Status on the Monitoring List
- Local and County Active Cases per 100,000 residents
- County Positivity rate (we don't have a local positivity rate)
- Trend metrics for increasing, decreasing or stable cases over a period of 14 days.
- Testing and Health System capacity (state guidelines require regular testing of staff)

LTUSD in partnership with Barton Health will utilize these data points to determine in six week increments, the instructional model for the following six weeks. Distance learning has been approved for August 31st through October 12th. The district will continue to

meet weekly, analyze the data, and determine on September 25th if we meet the criteria for moving into a hybrid instructional model. This will allow teachers and families to prepare for October 12 through November 20th.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 11:

A Regular Board of Education meeting is scheduled for 6:00 pm Tuesday, August 11, 2020 (with Closed Session at 5:00pm) [Here is a link to the full agenda.](#) (Click on 8/11/20 in the right column.) The summary agenda is attached. In accordance with the Executive Stay at Home Order N-29-20 the Boardroom will be closed to members of the public and all public participation will be handled remotely. **Please see the *Communications from the Public* section of the agenda for instructions. [Participants and observers may view the meeting via this Zoom link.](#) We hope you can join us.**

Meetings are now being recorded and uploaded to the district's Agenda Online homepage here: <https://laketahoe.agendaonline.net/public/>. Recordings are available for 60 days.

IN THE SCHOOLS AND IN THE COMMUNITY

[Elevated Digital Learning Academy](#) The district is opening a new online school with live online classes, daily instruction, student study groups, project-based learning, and more! While pre-enrollment is closed, the district is placing students on a waitlist. A one-year commitment is preferred. Please email your interest to elevated@ltusd.org. For families that are enrolled or interested in learning more, please watch this [Elevated Digital Learning Academy Informational Video](#).

Comparison charts for the three education options (traditional, 100% virtual, and independent learning) offered by LTUSD in the 20/21 school year are as follows:

[Elementary School Grades Pre-K - 5](#)

[Middle School Grades 6-8](#)

[High School Grades 9-12](#)

It is an expectation that no matter the choice, your child will receive a rigorous and quality learning experience.

[Back-to-School Immunization Clinics](#) in South Lake Tahoe - Childhood immunizations are required for students in California - please be sure your child's shots

are up to date. For more information see [immunization requirements here](#) and low cost [immunization clinic information here](#).

[LTUSD's COVID-19 Resource pages](#) - Includes links to information and resources; links to flyers regarding coronavirus and [what to do if your child has symptoms](#); and link to [LTUSD Community Resources Page](#) .

[Back-to-school Childhood Immunizations Offered](#) - El Dorado County Public Health Nursing Manger, Lynnan Svensson is reminding parents to plan for the coming school year by ensuring their children are up-to-date on required immunizations. For families without a healthcare provider, the El Dorado County Health and Human Services Agency, Public Health Nursing program offers low-cost back-to-school immunizations for eligible children. Public Health can provide all childhood vaccinations required for school entry, as well as other vaccinations recommended to keep children healthy.

[El Dorado County What's New In Public Health Update](#) - Immunization information, COVID-19 updates, clinical services, oral health information, and more.

CDC has produced a series of factsheets for young adults, ages 15-21. The factsheets cover a variety of topics, including what test results mean, how to stay safe at the pool or beach, how to wear a face covering and other preventive measures.

- [Wear a Cloth Face Covering to Protect You and Your Friends](#) [1 MB, PDF]
- [Help Protect Yourself and Others from COVID-19](#) [1 MB, PDF]
- [What Your Test Results Mean](#) [1 MB, PDF]
- [Slow the Spread of COVID-19](#) [1 MB, PDF]
- [Do it for Yourself and Your Friends](#) [1 MB, PDF]
- [Stay Safe at the Pool/Beach](#) [1 MB, PDF]

South Lake Tahoe Mobile Pantry The Food Bank of El Dorado County holds their SLT Mobile Pantry / Free Farmers Market in St. Theresa's Church parking lot (1041 Lyons Ave. SLT, CA 96150) every 4th Wednesday, May through October 2020 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. If you or someone you know is in need of fresh produce and a week's supply of staple foods come on down!! We hope to see you there! For more info please email info@foodbankedc.org .

[LTCC Ed Connect Summer Camps - Registration Open! English and Spanish here.](#)

[Kindergarten/TK Online Enrollment \(and all new students\) for 20/21 school year is OPEN NOW](#) . Please visit the district's [Kindergarten/TK information page on the website](#) for more information about all district elementary schools enrollment. You may also call your elementary school for assistance. Links to all school websites can be found [HERE](#).

[Foster & Kinship Care Education Program](#) offers free training and community clinics on topics such as parenting, mental health, physical health and overall wellness. Upcoming trainings via Zoom include **Nuts and Bolts of being and RFA home, Nurtured Heart Series, How trauma shows up during adolescence, I Can crisis, and more.** The flyers are in English and Spanish.

Links for more information on the following:

[LOCAL EDUCATION NEWS](#)

[DISTRICT CALENDARS](#)

[ALL SCHOOL WEBSITES](#)

With kind regards,

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