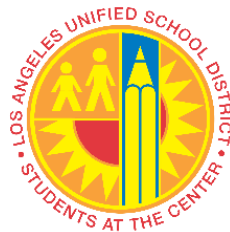


## A message from PORTER RANCH SCHOOL – July 29, 2021

Hello PRCS Families. This is Principal Avak Demirjic with an announcement. There is a new LA County/ LAUSD requirements regarding Baseline COVID Testing. The change is, all staff and students, regardless of their vaccination status, must have a COVID Baseline Test in order to be admitted on LAUSD campuses. Please make sure your children have their Baseline COVID Testing done anytime within the two weeks prior to school starting. The two weeks prior to school opening date will begin starting Monday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Thank you all for being flexible and understanding!!!

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Dear Los Angeles Unified Family,

As part of our efforts to maintain the safest possible environment for students and employees, we are closely monitoring evolving health conditions and adapting our response in preparation for our full return to in-person learning on August 16.

Los Angeles Unified continues to collaborate with our health partners at the county and state levels, as well as our panel of medical experts and university partners and we review updates to county, state, and federal guidance on a daily basis.

We believe Los Angeles Unified has the highest COVID safety standards of any public school district in the nation. Our preparations for the start of the new school year include continuing to require masking for all students, staff, and visitors; maximizing physical distancing as much as possible; continuing comprehensive sanitizing efforts, including frequent hand washing; upgraded air filtration systems; regular, ongoing COVID testing and community engagement; and collaborating with health partners and agencies to support free COVID vaccination.

All students and employees, both vaccinated and unvaccinated, returning for in-person instruction must participate in baseline and ongoing weekly COVID testing. This is in accordance with the most recent guidance from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. Baseline testing begins on

Monday August 2. More information can be found at <https://achieve.lausd.net/covidtestingappt>.

Ultimately, the greatest protection against COVID and the Delta variant is vaccination. We encourage everyone who is eligible to be vaccinated. For the latest information on school-based vaccination sites, please visit <https://achieve.lausd.net/covidvaccineappt>.

Together as a united Los Angeles Unified community, we need to all work together to ensure the safety of our schools. See you at school on August 16!

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

Megan K. Reilly  
Interim Superintendent