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*Superintendent*

December 3, 2020

Dear OMSD students, families, staff and community:

Today, Governor Newsom announced a Stay at Home Order for all counties in the southern California region. San Bernardino County has been and remains in the Purple Tier of California's Blueprint for a Safer Economy and is furthermore impacted by the Governor's recent directive. **During this time, OMSD will continue with our online learning model for all OMSD students.**

Effective today, school sites and all OMSD departments will not be physically accessible during this period (except for those functions that are critical to district operations), all phone calls and emails will be monitored daily. Families and community members are encouraged to use telephone and/or email whenever possible, when communicating with school sites or OMSD departments.

**With 2021 quickly approaching, and as we continue to monitor the current COVID-19 infection rates and trends in our region, I have decided that the Ontario-Montclair School District will remain on our online learning model through February 2021.** COVID-19 infection rates continue to be widespread throughout San Bernardino County, the cities of Ontario and Montclair and within our adjacent communities.

My office will continue to closely monitor COVID-19 infection rates to best determine when a return to in-person instruction may be possible. While no definitive date has been determined for the return of in-person learning, I will provide staff, students and parents/families ample notice to make necessary preparations once that timeline has been established.

The Ontario-Montclair School District will remain in constant contact with the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools and local health officials about the most current developments related to COVID-19. OMSD will also continue following guidance provided by the California Department of Education and the California Department of Public Health, and we will continue to share that information immediately with staff, families and students. **Up-to-date information about OMSD's response to COVID-19 can be found at our website [www.omsd.net](http://www.omsd.net).**

I want to again remind all OMSD stakeholders the importance for social distancing, mask wearing, washing hands frequently, limited interactions with persons outside your households, minimize non-essential travel and other important safety protocols as we continue to deal with this global pandemic.

Sincerely,  
James Q. Hammond, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

**“Our Community, Our Children, Our Commitment, Our Future”**