

# Ontario-Montclair School District

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Dear OMSD families, staff, students and local community:

As you know, the health and safety of our students, staff and our surrounding community is our school district's top priority. The evolving 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) situation has caused educational institutions around our county and state to consider temporarily shutting down schools.

To date, while there have been no confirmed cases of COVID-19 at any of the schools in the Ontario-Montclair School District, or anywhere in San Bernardino County, the situation is very fluid and may change at any minute.

Therefore, I have decided to act with caution and remain ahead of a potential outbreak that could result in the further spread of COVID-19 in our community. **As such, the Ontario-Montclair School District will suspend in-class instruction and all school activities, effective Monday, March 16, 2020. To repeat, this is a temporary shutdown of all OMSD schools.**

**OMSD will resume our regularly scheduled instruction at all schools beginning Monday, April 6, 2020.** This return date may change as I evaluate new information related to COVID-19.

Teachers are preparing to provide distance-learning opportunities for students during our shutdown period and our current plans are to provide meals to students at respective school sites during this time. **Since schools will be temporarily closed beginning next week, please consider alternate childcare options for your student.**

For our valued OMSD employees, additional information will be provided regarding guidelines during our temporary shutdown. All employees will be paid during the time our schools are temporarily closed.

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 via email, text, phone, the OMSD website and social media.

**Up-to-date information about our temporary shutdown can be found at our website [www.omsd.net](http://www.omsd.net).**

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

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