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Dear OMSD students, families, staff, and community members:

As you are aware, the Ontario-Montclair School District (OMSD) has been preparing our campuses and facilities to safely open for **in-person instruction for the 2021-2022 school year on August 9, 2021**. Our facilities have been accommodated to ensure all of the safety regulations per the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) recommendations are in place. **At this time, both staff and students will wear masks indoors when we return to school**, with mask wearing outside to be optional. Also, at this time, physical distancing requirements have been discontinued and we anticipate that being the case when our students return to school on August 9th. Knowing that COVID-19 continues to be a fluid situation, and as per past practice, my office will continue to monitor CDPH communications and should conditions change, I will keep you informed.

We are excited to get back to in-person instruction for all of our students in order to continue to provide a rigorous instructional program, including academic and social emotional learning. An online option, Online Academy School Independent Study (OASIS), will be available to families willing to adhere to the OMSD online requirements and to fully commit to a family/school partnership. For information about the OASIS program, please contact your school site administrator to request a meeting to discuss this option and to determine the best instructional environment for your child. No student will be enrolled in the OASIS program without participating in this important meeting so the expectations can be clearly explained. Although we know nothing replaces the value and positive impact of live instruction at our school sites, if there is a health reason for engaging in school remotely, this program will be available. Again, we look forward to welcoming our students back onto campus for full-day in-person instruction beginning August 9th.

The safety and best interest of our students and staff has always been and remains the District's top priority. As we move forward with the reopening of our campuses, we ask for your continued support and patience. Remember, if you have any questions about the District's Return to School Plan and the safety processes that are in place, please visit our website at www.omsd.net.

We are excited to see all of our amazing students back in our classrooms on August 9, 2021 for in-person instruction.

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

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