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Dear OMSD students, families, staff and community members:

As the holidays are quickly approaching, I want to update the Ontario-Montclair School District (OMSD) community on the continuing impacts of COVID-19 on our district.

As of today, San Bernardino County, which includes OMSD boundaries, remains in Purple, or Tier 1. The trends of COVID-19 in our local geographic area continue to exceed the County averages and as such, I want us to remain focused on the online learning platform for the remainder of the calendar year (2020). **This means we would not begin in-person instruction before the 2021 calendar year. While no definitive date has been determined, when we are ready to make that transition, I will provide staff and parents ample notice to make the necessary preparations for in-person instruction.**

I want to thank our teachers, classified support staff and administrators for their continued efforts during these unprecedented times. I have seen many examples throughout our District of our staff members going above and beyond to ensure students continue to excel under the current circumstances. I commend our OMSD staff for keeping our students' and their families' well-being at the forefront in our daily work.

I also want to acknowledge our students and families for working with us and being a partner during these difficult times. Please remember to continue practicing social distancing protocols issued by public health officials. It is important for us to practice social distancing, wear face coverings, and wash hands regularly.

We all look forward to the happy time when we all can be together again.

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