



February 8, 2021

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Greetings!

Good morning! I hope you were able to have a nice weekend, and remained safe even with it being Super Bowl weekend. Monday the 15th is a holiday, so my weekly email will be sent on Tuesday next week.

We have CVTA Rep Council this week, so please be sure to reach out to your reps if there are any concerns or questions you'd like them to bring to the meeting on your behalf.

I'm sure you've heard that our Superintendent Dr. Maria Gandra resigned last week. Our Interim Superintendent will be Dr. Steve Kennedy, who retired recently from Menifee. That's about all we know at this point. It's not a great time to be changing leadership, but we will get through it as we always do.

Site Safety Protocols

Just a reminder that if you are on campus, you are expected to follow the CVUSD Safety Protocols. Not doing so could result in discipline. Additionally, you are often the one setting an example for others, especially the students.

Last week I witnessed people in Zoom meetings sitting in the same room with others, not 6 feet apart, and not wearing a mask (or not wearing it properly). Regardless of how you feel about masks, as an employee of CVUSD you can be written up for those things, and according to HR it has been happening. As always, I want you to be fully informed regarding situations or activities that could result in you being disciplined so you can make the best choices for yourself.

I did also notice that on one site visit, they did not keep a record of my presence on campus. As I've said before, please let me know if you are aware of any protocols not being followed. The ultimate goal is to keep everyone on campus as safe as possible, so if we can correct mistakes we should do that.

Please refer to the Safety Protocol Document presented last October to the Board and also shared at your first staff meeting (note: these protocols may change upon a Hybrid MOU and new guidance from the State). [Find that presentation here](#). Important to note is:

- required face coverings
- required social distancing
- posted reminder signs
- must limit group activities
- **staff is to practice social distancing indoors and during lunch**
- required self-check questionnaire posted at entries and temperature checks
- must sign-in and out
- **staff should not mingle while on site**

Hybrid Prep Site Visits

I continue to make site visits to see the classroom set ups for teaching in person. The number one concern we have is that all safety guidelines will be followed in the Hybrid Model, so I will be looking specifically for what the School Board has been told is happening at sites in preparation. This includes the plexiglass barriers, the air filtration, the distance between students as well as students from teacher, sanitizing stations, one way path markings, etc. Each week I will give an update about what I've seen.

- TC - I visited TCMS on 2/3/21. Everything looked like it was nearly ready. I found the same issue with some of the teacher spaces not being 6 feet from the nearest student. I didn't see any of the air purifiers in classrooms, but they could just be in storage still.
- CDA - I visited CDA also on 2/3/21. It seemed as if they were a little behind TC in preparation, but well on the way to getting it all ready. Same teacher to student issue. It's going to be tough making sure the teacher is 6 feet from any student while at their desk or at the whiteboard, but the guidance is very clear that it needs to be a minimum of 6 feet. Not sure there was a plan for students to eat breakfast yet, but it will be worked on.
- This week visiting CC, SM, LF, and CMA.

School Board Meeting 2/11/21

There is a CVUSD School Board Meeting this week, on Thursday 2/11/21. Closed Session begins at 5:30 p.m. and Open Session is usually at 6:30 p.m. [You can join the meeting here.](#) [You can submit comments prior to the meeting here.](#)

Reporting COVID Illnesses or seeking COVID Information

If you need information about what leaves are available or to report a positive COVID case, please use the HRleaves@cvusd.us email.

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Important Dates

- **February 10th** - CVTA Rep Council Meeting 4:30 pm
- **February 11th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting 5:30 pm
- **February 12th** - School Holiday - Lincoln's Birthday
- **February 15th** - School Holiday - Washington's Birthday
- **February 17th** - CVTA Office Hours 4:30 pm
- **February 24th** - CVTA Executive Board Meeting 4:00 pm



- **February 25th** - CVUSD School Board Meeting
5:30 pm
- **February 26th to 28th** - CTA Equity and
Human Rights Conference

Carissa Carrera

CVTA President

"You can't do it unless you organize."

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