



## Announcement from Dr. Nancy Lynch July 16, 2020

### NEW Public Health Guidance and updated School Re-opening Plans

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Recognizing the ever-changing landscape of the spread of COVID-19, Marin Public Health issued [new guidance](#) last night to delay in-person instruction to start no sooner than September 8. The phased-in approach is due to the increased number of cases of youth and young adults with COVID-19 in Marin and the region. This delay will provide a transition time for staff to feel more comfortable in their new learning environment during the first weeks of school. Districts may choose to bring small groups of students into the classroom to learn about the new environment and protocols and for teachers to get to know their students.

We will use this new guidance as we continue to develop and modify our plans that have included a phase-in period for attendance, in-person instruction, hybrid models and distance learning. Each of these options and plans are being discussed and considered as we are working to bring students back to school in the fall. The new guidelines call for a gradual approach to include distance learning at the beginning of the year, so that is something you can expect beginning on August 20th. We will provide more details on our reopening plans at the end of July.

For those families who would still prefer to have their children attend using a distance learning model until there is a vaccine or they feel comfortable sending their children to school, please email [Keith Woodard](#) in the Superintendent's Office with "DISTANCE LEARNING" in the subject of the email and include the names of your children and the grades they will be entering in the body of the email.

Thank you for your patience and support as we continue to navigate this uncharted time.

Warm regards,

Nancy Lynch, Ed.D.

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