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Dear Lynwood Unified Community,

We are excited to be less than two weeks away from opening the new school year on Aug. 24 when we begin online instruction to prioritize the safety of our children. We are more equipped than ever to create an exceptional distance learning environment for students, having learned from these past months and invested in new technology and tools in preparation for the fall.

All of our schools are hosting virtual orientations and events that welcome back families and familiarize them with the online programs that will be utilized this year. As a District, we will also be hosting a community town hall next week to give the public the chance to ask questions and engage with us about their needs. More details will be announced on this event.

We are unveiling a School Instructional and Safety Plan that outlines our protocols and approach to protecting students and staff while lifting our quality instruction. This guide will be available on the District website and will address student and teacher schedules, programs, and future reopen plans. It’s an important resource that will provide clarity to all of us this year.

When students do eventually return to campuses, they will find inspiring improvements to facilities, including new playgrounds, soccer fields, and secure entrances. I’m pleased to report that we continue to improve the Lynwood High School 5000 building which is currently being inspected by engineers and will include an entire campus-wide assessment of building structures.

While the first day of school this year will be unlike any before it, we should still strive to make it special for our children. Let’s encourage them to dive into online instruction and remain focused on reaching goals. Together, we will ensure that, though their learning environment may be different, their clear path to achievement remains the same.

Sincerely,

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