

## **Press Release**

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## RUSD joins all county schools and extends school closures to at least May 1

REDLANDS, Calif. – Earlier today, Superintendents representing school districts throughout San Bernardino County engaged in a conference call with County Superintendent of Schools Ted Alejandre and representatives from the San Bernardino County Department of Health.

Based on the latest information and data related to the COVID-19 pandemic and in the best interest of student, staff and community and their health and safety, a unanimous decision was made to close schools across the entire county through Friday, May 1. As we get closer to May 1, a collective analysis will be made to determine if it is safe to return to school or to continue to extend school closures.

The Board of Education formally took action this evening to officially extend school closures as mentioned above.

"This is one of the most difficult things we've ever had to do as a school district," said Board President Patty Holohan. "I feel that we are doing the right thing for our students, our families, our teachers and our staff. My heart goes out to them."

As per the communication you received on Wednesday, March 18, the District will provide meals for children, beginning March 30, throughout the duration of the closure. Further, we will maintain and continuously update online enrichment materials which will be found on our website beginning Monday, March 30.

For more news and information on New Coronavirus 2019 please visit our website at: www.redlandsusd.net/coronavirus.

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