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MOU Updates and Revisions Considered Tuesday

With the news that schools will be closed through the academic year and that distance learning will continue, the District and the Association will continue to review the guidance and agreements set forth thus far.

Bargaining Chairperson David Navar and Executive Director Kathy Scholz will meet with the Superintendent Dr. Anthony Martinez and his Cabinet Tuesday, April 6 to discuss outstanding issues including: elementary and intermediate report cards, high school grades, distance learning duties and responsibilities including IEPs, cyber security, and retrieving items from schools.



The Association continues to work from the surveys collected mid-March and input submitted throughout the school closures. Additional input can be submitted at Bargaining@MontebelloTeachers.org.

District Begins Process to Order Devices for Students

Students who have not yet been issued ChromeBooks should be receiving them soon. Head Start, Preschool, grades TK-3 & 8 are participating in distance learning without District devices. At Wednesday's Board of Education meeting Don Ellingson, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Business Services confirmed that the District has reached out to vendors regarding purchase and lease options. A timeline for delivery will be established. Assistant Superintendent of Education Services Dr. Kavain Yuen confirmed that Adult Education students will be surveyed regarding needs for devices.

CSUs and UCs Confirm Acceptance of Pass/No Pass HS Grades

The University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) announced new admissions policies and are committing to hold harmless students entering their universities.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond and State Board of Education President Dr. Linda Darling-Hammond plan to release additional guidance on grading for K-12 Local Educational Agencies. In the meantime, they have emphasized that high school seniors will continue to graduate if they are already on track, and higher education institutions will provide flexibility to prevent students from being disadvantaged this year and in the future. [Click here](#) to see some of those provisions.



Break is April 10-20!

The MTA Office will be closed during the Break.



Schools & Communities First Makes History With Most Ever Signatures Submitted

To qualify for the November 2020 ballot, Schools & Communities First submits more than 1.7 million signatures of support

The Schools & Communities First campaign is proud to announce the submission of more than 1.7 million signatures of support to qualify for the November 2020 ballot – the most signatures ever submitted in California for a ballot initiative. This historic benchmark was achieved weeks ahead of schedule and surpassed the original 1.6 million goal set by the campaign.

In a sign of the Schools & Communities First coalition’s robust statewide infrastructure and support, a massive grassroots volunteer operation collected more than 410,000 signatures of the total – an unprecedented number. This statewide infrastructure will be key to victory in November.

“Schools & Communities First is proud to make history by submitting more than 1.7 million signatures of support from Californians, illustrating the momentum and support for this initiative. Now more than ever, we need to support those heroes on the front lines who have been caring for the most vulnerable, educating our children, and keeping Californians safe – the Schools & Communities First initiative puts more resources back in the hands of local leaders who best know how to address local needs and priorities.” – Alex Stack, Schools & Communities First Communications Director

The Schools & Communities First coalition is composed of everyday Californians who are motivated for the common good, and groups and organizations advocating on behalf of those on the front lines throughout the state who deliver critical services and hold our communities together: