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## Next Steps Must Consider Science and Safety

The Distance Learning MOU expires at the end of the semester. Bargaining Chairperson David Navar (WGE) has scheduled negotiations for Friday, November 6 to begin discussions on the best path for our members next semester.

Los Angeles County is in the most restrictive, Purple Tier and required to offer distance learning (unless a waiver for in-person learning is sought and granted.) The State and County allow specialized services for defined subgroups of students who need in-person services and supports. The subgroups include students with IEPs, students who are English Language learners, and students with needs that cannot be met through virtual instruction.

From late January to early October 2020, the U.S. had 299,000 more deaths than the typical number during the same period in previous years (excess deaths)

At least  
**2 out of 3**  
of these excess deaths were  
from COVID-19

The largest percentage increases were  
among people who were **Hispanic or  
Latino and adults aged 25-44**

CDC.GOV

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Specialized services are currently allowed in small cohorts which are defined as fewer than 12 students and no more than two supervising adults. If additional adults are assigned, fewer students are allowed to a maximum of 14 individuals.

The State and County also allow in-person assessments for IEPs.

The Association will send a survey and provide input opportunities.

You may email comments and concerns to **[Bargaining@MontebelloTeachers.org](mailto:Bargaining@MontebelloTeachers.org)**.

## We Need a Friendly BoE & Increased Funding for Safe, Sound COVID-19 Decisions

According to the Los Angeles Times on October 14 more than 435,000 ballots had been collected in our County. Every day more are returned! Now is the time to volunteer for the phone bank to elect Liliana Magaña and Carlos Cerdan to the Board of Education. It's easy!

- Make quick GOTV calls from home.
- No dialing is necessary.
- Your phone number will not appear.
- Go to [MontebelloTeachers.org](http://MontebelloTeachers.org) for more information.



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The MTA Office and  
all CTA Offices

will remain closed until  
**Monday, January 4.**

Phones and emails are answered  
remotely.

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