

# TUCSON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 4, 2021

Hello TUSD families

I hope this greeting finds you healthy, hopeful, and ready for our students' long-awaited return to school for traditional teacher led in person instruction. In light of yesterday's announcement from the Governor's Office, I wanted to take this opportunity to update our parents on some important adjustments that must be made as result of the announcement.

Yesterday, Governor Ducey put into place a new Executive Order for the re-opening of all schools and school districts, statewide, for on campus teacher led instruction. For the full details of Executive Order 2021-04 "Open for In-Person Learning", please reference the following link [https://azgovernor.gov/sites/default/files/eo\\_2021-04.pdf](https://azgovernor.gov/sites/default/files/eo_2021-04.pdf). This new directive requires us to **set a new back to school re-opening date of Monday March 22, 2021, for all grade levels, pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade**. The Executive Order **does not allow** schools or districts to limit the attendance of students selecting on campus teacher led instruction for elementary grades, which may result in larger on campus student populations.

Due to the Governor's Executive order we want to provide you a few more days to make any final adjustments, so we have extended the date to **make your learning choice selection to Wednesday March 10<sup>th</sup>**. If you would like to make an adjustment or you still need to make your selection, please log into ParentVUE, call your school office, or call our Customer Service team at 520-225-4800.

Additionally, by Friday, we will have list of all schools that will have **simultaneous teaching** (*classes where the teacher works with and teaches students that are in the classroom and learning remotely, at the same time*) on our website for your reference. <http://www.tusd1.org/NextSteps2020/simultaneous>

To maximize the health and safety of the employees, children and young people we serve, our team is in the process of facilitating a comprehensive distribution and delivery of vital health and safety supplies that include N95 masks and face shields for staff, hand sanitizer for every classroom, hands free water bottle filling stations, and the delivery of over 4,000 High Efficiency Particulate Air (HEPA) air purifying units for every classroom and common area in the district. These air purifying units have been proven effective in reducing the spread of harmful airborne particles, like COVID 19 and the Flu.

Finally, we will have **3 Parent Town Halls next week**, Monday and Wednesday. You can watch these on the TUSD Facebook Page or sign up at attend the Zoom session:

**Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup> 5:30- 6:30 pm English-** FB Live ([5\) Tucson Unified School District \(TUSD\) | Facebook](#)  
Zoom Sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EAEAF2AA7FEC52-38parent>

**Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 4:30 – 5:30 pm English-**FB Live ([5\) Tucson Unified School District \(TUSD\) | Facebook](#)  
Zoom Sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EAEAF2AA7FEC52-310>

**Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> 6:00- 7:00 pm Spanish-** FB Live on Tu Distrito ([5\) Distrito Escolar Unificado de Tucson | Facebook](#)

Zoom Sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EAEAF2AA7FEC52-3101>

I look forward to spending time with you in next week's town halls, addressing your questions and concerns, and of course, I look forward most of all to the return of the children and young people we are dedicated to serving, educating, and caring for.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gabriel Trujillo', written in a cursive style.

Dr. Gabriel Trujillo  
Superintendent  
Tucson Unified School District