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Dear LHUSD Families,

Over the last week, everyone at LHUSD has been busy preparing for the first day of school. We are excited to welcome all of our students back virtually on Monday, August 3rd. As a reminder the district school calendar has not changed.

Last week, Governor Ducey and Superintendent Hoffman announced *Arizona Open for Learning* in [Executive Order 2020-51](#). This order states that the Arizona Department of Health Services must develop public health benchmarks for the "safe return of in-person, teacher-led classroom instruction" by August 7th. Each district is then tasked with considering their local public health benchmarks before opening to in-person learning. At this time we do not know if we will be able to open as originally planned on August 17th. We will share more information when details are provided.

A few updates as we look forward to Monday:

- **Distance Learning:** As a reminder, unless they selected *the Online Academy*, all students are enrolled in *Distance Learning* which provides virtual live and recorded instruction with their regular school and teachers. Families needing technology should have communicated with their teacher or filled out a survey from their individual schools. Schools will contact families who qualify directly to arrange pickup.
- **Online Learning Support:** In order to best support students and families, we have created an [Online Learning Support](#) site to provide information about all of our learning platforms/tools. The site can be accessed by visiting [lhusd.org](#) or your child's school website and clicking on Online Learning Support at the top.
- **Online Academy (Virtual Self-Paced):** Communications and next steps regarding the academy will be coming soon. Staff is working tirelessly to ensure all virtual components needed to support students are in place. Families needing technology should have filled out a survey from their individual schools. Schools will contact families who qualify directly to arrange pickup.
- **Internet Services:** If you are in need of internet assistance, LHC providers are offering low-cost home internet and WiFi. You can find more information on our Online Learning Support site.



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- **Free On-Site Learning Opportunities and Support Services:** While we may not be open for in-person learning, Governor Ducey's [Executive Order](#) requires districts to begin offering on-site learning opportunities and support services for students who need a place to go during the day beginning August 17th, while following all health and safety recommendations.
- **Face Coverings:** As per the Executive Order we will be requiring face coverings of all students and staff who are on campus, with exceptions for those who have a qualifying medical condition. At times when we are able to social distance with at least 6 feet between all students and staff face coverings may be removed. The state is expected to provide more clarification and guidance concerning the free on-site learning opportunities and support services. All parents will receive a survey in the next week to determine who may need this service.

We continue to work through the ever changing guidance and recommendations provided to ensure that we have a safe and healthy learning environment for all students and staff. We appreciate your continued support as we partner together in this process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rebecca Stone".

Rebecca Stone, Ed.D.
Superintendent