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San Mateo County Schools Remain Committed to Educating Students

Redwood City, CA— In light of today's updated [shelter-in-place order](#) issued by San Mateo County Health Officer Dr. Scott Morrow, County Superintendent of Schools Nancy Magee reaffirmed that all public school districts in the county would continue providing education to students through at-home and distance learning methods consistent with Dr. Morrow's March 13th [School Operations Modification Order](#), which has been extended to May 1, 2020.

Although Governor Newsom has indicated in various press briefings that he believes students may not be able to return to on-campus classes for the remainder of the school year, Superintendent Magee, in collaboration with local district superintendents, is clear that local public schools will remain open to provide distance learning, distribution of school meals, and childcare as needed and feasible.

Superintendent Magee acknowledged the tremendous tumult that COVID-19 has caused for our local school communities, but stated that in working in close partnership with Dr. Morrow and San Mateo County Health, all school modification decisions have been based on current data and best health practices.

"More than anything right now, our students need to stay connected to school and supported by their teachers and school leaders," explained Superintendent Magee. "San Mateo County school district leaders are committed to ensuring that students, families, and staff remain engaged, and students continue to make progress in their learning. This is a traumatic time for our youth; they need their schools and teachers more than ever."

For more information on San Mateo County schools' response to COVID-19, visit the [San Mateo County Office of Education's website](#).

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