

June 1, 2020

Greetings EUSD Families,

The past few months have been unimaginably full of uncertainty, stress, chaos, and concern for the safety and well-being of our children, community, and nation.

I want to acknowledge that many of our students, families, and staff are struggling right now. The feelings of fear, distrust, and injustice are even more difficult to process because we are not in school together. Please know that we stand with you.

We know that connecting with a trusted adult, family member or community partner is most important when students want to process or talk about what they are experiencing. Although we are not physically together to discuss these tragic events and civil unrest, we can offer support. Our staff has access to appropriate resources to share and are here to listen, learn, and support.

As we end this school year and prepare for the next school year, we continue to make decisions grounded in academic excellence, engagement, and equity for our students.

Below are a few updates:

Inviting your input

The tentative start date for the next school year is August 20, 2020. As other districts throughout California and the nation, we are monitoring the progression of COVID-19 and awaiting new guidelines from the public health department. We are examining our facilities, operations, instruction, technology, and health and wellness practices and systems, and providing for changes that may be needed when we reopen schools.

There are several scenarios to consider, from the traditional in-school model, continuing remote distance learning, and/or a hybrid model that involves students in school some times and distance learning at other times, to name a few. What we are able to offer will depend on the health of our region and our country. Whether students and teachers meet in the same classroom or virtually, the 2020-21 school year will offer rigorous academic instruction that will include assessments and grading, as we ensure our students master grade-level standards.

Your input is critical to our planning, so we ask that you take a few minutes to complete the Family Survey listed below:

Parents Survey AYES (English):

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T3XP2KZ>

Parents Survey AYES (Spanish):

<https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/TWSVGLJ>

Parent Survey AYMS (English):

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T3HWHKF>

Parent Survey AYMS (Spanish):

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TTS23QQ>

Parent Survey - ESS (English)

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TFZD7ZX>

Parent Survey - ESS (Spanish)

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/T3YCL5K>

Graduation and Promotion Events

Our teachers, schools, and communities are excited to celebrate these milestones in our students' lives. Dates and times for the celebrations can be found below. Please contact the school site for any additional details.

Anna Yates Elementary School - Kindergarten Ceremony, June 4th

- Mr. Pippen - 10:00 am
- Ms. Pappas - 1:00 pm
- Ms. Goldberg - 4:00 pm

Anna Yates Elementary School - 5th Grade Virtual Promotion, June 4th at 10:00 am

Anna Yates Middle School - 8th Grade Virtual Promotion, June 3rd at 5:00 pm

Emery High School - Senior Virtual Graduation, June 4th at 4:00 pm

Now Enrolling

Each year, our schools typically host tours for incoming students before the Fall. This year, since tours in-person were not possible, [AYES created this incredible video](#) where you can meet staff and learn about what makes Kinder at Emery so special! Thank you to AYES Kindergarten Teachers and Administration for sharing this with us! Here is the [link for enrollment](#).

Immunization Requirements

As a public school district, we are required to follow California school immunization laws set forth by shotsforschool.org. Even with current school dismissals due to COVID-19, immunization requirements for admission to school or child care in California for the 2020-21 school year remain in place. To remain in compliance with California immunization laws, please contact your health care provider to schedule immunizations that are needed.

Summer Camp

We are happy to share that the City of Emeryville will open Camp S.A.F.E. at ECCL on June 8, 2020. Per Governor Newsom's reopening plan, childcare services are part of phase II and will follow the prescribed list of health and safety protocols. Please [click here](#) for additional information.

Summer School

TK-8 Students will be able to keep their laptop devices through July to continue online learning via Clever (e.g. Zearn, iReady, Accelerated Reader, etc.). There will be the Extended School Year (ESY) for students who have additional support written in their IEP. In addition, Emery High School will offer summer school for credit recovery. The summer school dates are June 22 - July 17, 2020.

If you no longer need the loaner device, please return the laptop or tablet to the school site. Additional information will be provided to our families from the school sites.

Expanded Food Benefits Program

Due to COVID 19 school closures, children who are eligible for free or reduced-priced meals can get up to \$365 in food benefits in addition to their Grab and Go meals from school. For more information on the P-EBT program, please visit, <https://tinyurl.com/Emerymeals>

Meal Service Continues Through Summer

The Meal Grab and Go program will be available every Monday tentatively from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm on our district's campus. These meals will be available to all youth under the age of 18. In addition, groceries for all ages will be offered in collaboration with the Alameda Food Bank every Monday and Thursday from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm.

We look forward to celebrating the accomplishments of our scholars and hope the summer break will bring peace for you and your loved ones. Thank you for your ongoing partnership and support.

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Quiauna Scott". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

Quiauna Scott, Ed.D.