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TO: Chabot-Las Positas Community College District

FROM: Chancellor Ronald Gerhard, CLPCCD
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SUBJECT: COVID-19 Update

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for your continued endurance and flexibility during this most trying and difficult period in our history. As you know, there is a surge in reported COVID-19 cases throughout our county, state and much of the nation. For your safety and that of others please continue to follow state and county guidelines as we near the holiday season. Please see more under Alameda County Orders.

With the Thanksgiving break just a week away, I hope you find time to focus on your personal, physical, and mental well-being. I hope you find moments to rest, reflect, and attend to your own needs.

Please see this week's updates below:

State and Alameda County Orders: On Monday, November 16th, Alameda County announced the movement back from Orange Tier to (Widespread) Purple Tier. This movement was based upon an increase in the daily COVID-19 case rates and hospitalizations. Alameda County joins 40 other counties in the Purple Tier, the most restrictive level in the state's framework.

With this change, to the more restrictive level, comes a restriction on offerings that we have been studying on the use of indoor spaces for athletics and potential impact to outdoor spaces, fitness spaces used by athletics, and some partnerships with outside groups. All indoor fitness activities are no longer allowed and outdoor groups must be limited to no more than 12 individuals (down from the recent upgrade of 20). All indoor lecture classes should be reassessed for compliance with the essential workforce sector class offerings. This change does not impact our essential workforce sector lab classes that have been operating under our standard safe work practices program for the fall semester.

Yesterday, November 19th, the State announced a limited [Stay at Home Order](#). This order requires non-essential work to cease between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. This order takes effect at 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 21st and continues through 5:00 a.m. on Monday, December 21st. We will continue to provide more updates as new orders are released.

For more information on our District's COVID-19 response protocols and procedures, including resources and contact information, we encourage you to familiarize yourself with [our District's COVID-19 Safety Plan](#). I would like to thank Vice Chancellor Letcher and the entire Safety Team for their efforts on putting together this resource.

County Health Update: Alameda County has reported 26,927 confirmed cases of COVID-19 (last updated November 19, 2020).

Reminder - Health protocols: If you are feeling sick, do not come to the office, contact your doctor, and notify your supervisor. If you are an essential employee, while at or away from office, please continue to practice social distancing, wash your hands frequently, and follow other standard health practices.

As always, please continue to visit the [district urgent alerts webpage](#) for up-to-date information, and contact your Presidents' Office or administrator for additional questions and/or guidance.