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TO: Chabot-Las Positas Community College District

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SUBJECT: COVID-19 Update

Thank you for all you have done to help each other and our students to navigate the challenges we have faced to get us through this semester.

Today, Governor Newsom announced new restrictions will be implemented when specific regions of the state fall below 15% ICU capacity. Currently, the Bay Area region (consisting of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Monterey, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, and Sonoma counties) is at 23% ICU capacity but is anticipated to reach the additional restriction level before the middle of December. Outlying areas (Stanislaus and San Joaquin Counties) are closer to the ICU capacity level. **The Bay Area Region is not currently under these new orders.**

The order goes into effect within 48 hours of reaching the level and will remain in effect for 3 weeks, with reviews each week for possible extensions. The order closes operations except for critical infrastructure and limits retail operations.

As we near the end of the fall semester, this may impact some of our classes that are not defined as Critical Infrastructure. Administrators will need to review the offerings at each college to determine those that fit within the Critical Infrastructure category.

While the order says that schools already open for in-person learning are allowed to remain open, we should review and be ready with plans to move courses to remote learning.

Below is an excerpt from the Questions and Answers provided to the Order issued today.

In any region that triggers a Regional Stay Home Order because it drops below 15% ICU capacity, the following sectors must close:

- Indoor and outdoor playgrounds

- Indoor recreational facilities
- Hair salons and barbershops
- Personal care services
- Museums, zoos, and aquariums
- Movie theaters
- Wineries
- Bars, breweries, and distilleries
- Family entertainment centers
- Cardrooms and satellite wagering
- Limited services
- Live audience sports
- Amusement parks

The following sectors will have additional modifications in addition to 100% masking and physical distancing:

- **Outdoor recreational facilities:** Allow outdoor operation only without any food, drink or alcohol sales. Additionally, overnight stays at campgrounds will not be permitted.
- **Retail:** Allow indoor operation at 20% capacity with entrance metering and no eating or drinking in the stores. Additionally, special hours should be instituted for seniors and others with chronic conditions or compromised immune systems.
- **Shopping centers:** Allow indoor operation at 20% capacity with entrance metering and no eating or drinking in the stores. Additionally, special hours should be instituted for seniors and others with chronic conditions or compromised immune systems.
- **Hotels and lodging:** Allow to open for critical infrastructure support only.
- **Restaurants:** Allow only for take-out, pick-up, or delivery.
- **Offices:** Allow remote only except for critical infrastructure sectors where remote working is not possible.
- **Places of worship and political expression:** Allow outdoor services only.
- **Entertainment production including professional sports:** Allow operation without live audiences. Additionally, testing protocol and “bubbles” are highly encouraged.

The following sectors are allowed to remain open when a remote option is not possible with appropriate infectious disease preventative measures including 100% masking and physical distancing:

- Critical infrastructure
- Schools that are already open for in-person learning
- Non-urgent medical and dental care
- Child care and pre-K

We will continue to monitor the County/Bay Area Region and State status and inform everyone of changes as they are implemented. 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.