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Dear Members,

We hope you are enjoying your well-deserved time off and have had a chance to relax and rejuvenate for the upcoming school year.

An email was sent out today from Ms. French which outlines the District's Return to School recommendation utilizing a 3 Phase Model. Additionally, the District is proposing that parents be offered a full year Virtual Academy option when they register for the 2020- 2021 school year.

On Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 6:00 PM there will be a virtual Town Hall meeting. This Town Hall is designed to provide more clarity regarding plans for the upcoming school year. The community and staff are invited to participate in this meeting. The link to the meeting can be found on the District website.

The Instructional Committee begins their work this week. The members on this committee will develop a plan for instruction in the fall. This committee is comprised of members from TK-8 grade. Their focus will be developing grade level specific unit outlines that address essential standards for distance learning. This will be intensive work and we appreciate the members who stepped up to take on this challenge!

The County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health orders have been released. These are the reopening protocols for K-12 schools we were waiting for in order to return to school safely. The orders are in the form of a checklist that includes everything from schedules of disinfecting to how parents, students and staff must interact with each other. This document is being posted on our MVTA website.

At this time, we are ready to put in a Demand to Bargain the conditions of our return to work for the 2020 – 2021 school year. We now know the outline of the District plan, the County safety protocols, and the guidelines from the state for instructional learning through SB 98 (the Senate Bill which outlines the requirements for public education). We are also gathering information from CTA giving us legal guidance and advice for negotiations. In addition to this, watch for MVTA Executive Board and Bargaining Team "Town Hall" meetings. The purpose of the Town Hall meetings will be to get input from our members regarding the issues around our different instructional programs and the safety of our return.

We have attached the results of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Survey, which was answered by 88% of our members from July 12 to July 15, 2020. We will be putting out another survey at the end of July, when we have more concrete information about the upcoming school year.

Finally, keep looking at the MVTA website for documents and updates that will help keep you informed.

We are all in this together, stay strong and be safe. Have a wonderful summer!

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