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Office of the Superintendent

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Dear SUSD Families, Staff, and Community:

Today, we opened our schools to all staff. Each school and department conducted an assessment of available resources and developed a plan to reopen schools. This included the development of an instructional schedule for the balance of the week, consideration of available staff resources, and creation of needed accommodations and support. The objective is to be able to safely open schools.

After a thorough review of the action plans that will be implemented, I am pleased to communicate that we will open all of all SUSD schools **tomorrow, Wednesday, May 2, 2018**. I'd like to highlight the following major points:

- SUSD will run on the **half-day** schedule for the rest of this week, May 2-4, 2018. This will help to manage the transition back, especially given anticipated reduced staffing.
- Plans are first safety focused, followed by relevant educational goals.
- We are deploying additional staff, as needed, to help with supervision needs.
- All aspects of food service will operate.
- Transportation services will operate normal routes for the half-day schedule.
- If parents choose to keep their children at home, please report the absence. It will be administratively excused.
- All zero hour classes will be canceled for the rest of the week.

This event has been among the most challenging of my career. I believe that all involved have acted with sincere and shared commitment to this important work that we do in service to our students. I'm looking forward resuming school and seeing all of our students, staff, and families around campus in the days to come. Thank you for the patience, sacrifice, and trust during this time.

Sincerely,

Manuel O. Valenzuela, Ed.D.  
Superintendent