



YUBA CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Hello YCUSD families of newly enrolled YCIA students!

On Tuesday, June 20th, the YCUSD school board made the decision to start the school year on full distance learning, per Governor Newsom's guidance and due to Sutter County being on the monitoring list for the state. All of our school sites, at every grade level, will begin the 2020/2021 school year in a remote distance learning format.

The assumption is that we will be able to transition to a blended/hybrid learning model at some point, where students will spend part of their week in the classroom and part at home remotely learning. Eventually, we are hoping for a full return to "traditional" school of five days a week in-person classroom instruction. We cannot anticipate when these phases will take place, as it depends on the data and the guidance from the state and county health department.

Given the information that your student's school will be starting on distance learning, we would like to be certain that you want to proceed with the transfer to Yuba City Independence Academy (YCIA). **For clarification, YCIA will remain on remote online learning all year long no matter what phase the county or state moves into.** The program is designed to be at-home and self-paced for independent learners. Students will have the opportunity to meet with their teacher in-person once the safety restrictions lift, but it is not required since they could be meeting remotely online or via phone. School sites will transition to a form of blended/hybrid instruction when it is safe to do so with the intent of returning to full traditional school schedules. YCIA will not transition from distance learning.

Please discuss this decision with your student and if you would like to return to your home school for the year, please email us at enrollment@ycusd.org or call the Student Services office at 530-822-7641 by Thursday, July 30th.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call or email.

Thank you,

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