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KHSD School Closures

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Bakersfield, CA

The health and safety of our students, staff, and community is very important to the Kern High School District during these challenging and uncertain times related to the COVID-19 virus outbreak. The District has collaborated with Kern County Public Health, the Kern County Superintendent of Schools, and other school districts to coordinate efforts for school closures.

Earlier this evening, Dr. Mary C. Barlow, the Kern County Superintendent of Schools, released a statement that all Kern County public schools will close no later than the close of the school day on Wednesday, March 18, 2020. After that statement was released, there was confusion regarding whether or not schools will be in session tomorrow, Monday, March 16.

Kern High School District schools will operate on the following schedule:

Monday, March 16 – All schools will be open and operating.

Tuesday, March 17 – All schools will be open and operating. Staff will receive additional information regarding next steps before the end of the school day.

Wednesday, March 18 – **All schools will be closed.** More information regarding the closures and expectations for staff members moving forward will be communicated.

As this situation continues to evolve, we will relay the most up to date information that the District has to our staff and community.

