CAUSE ADVISORY CAUSE Position Statement CUSD Reopening Options * Fall 2020-21

CUSD Employees, Students, Parents, & Community Stakeholders.

Just today, Governor Gavin Newsom, provided critical guidance on the reopening of California's schools. His focus, like that of CAUSE Leadership, is the HEALTH & SAFETY of students, employees, and their families. As a result, and based upon the HEALTH & SAFETY metrics he shared, the CUSD is currently required to provide students and families <u>100% REMOTE</u> <u>INSTRUCTION</u> at the outset of the 2020-21 instructional year.

Although the Governor's statement delays the return to "in-person instruction", Union leadership does not believe it resolves the significant HEALTH & SAFETY concerns associated with the reopening options developed by the CUSD. Given the dangers contained in CUSD's current reopening models, we believe it is critical that the Union's position on these reopening models be accurately and immediately shared; versus being further misinterpreted by District administrators. We have developed a position statement for this purpose (*see attached*).

In an effort to encourage CUSD's stakeholders to better understand the motivations and rationale behind our's and each other's positions, we also share the underlying rationale that serves to motivate our position on CUSD's reopening options. CAUSE is certain that the better we understand stakeholders' legitimate perspectives, the better we ensure the <u>SAFETY & WELL BEING of students, employees, and their families.</u>

Your attention and consideration are appreciated.

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