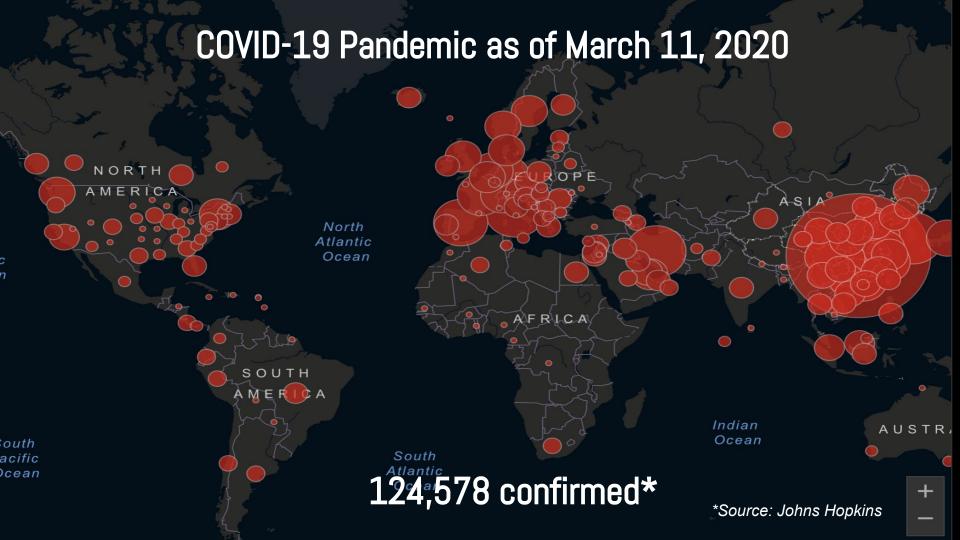
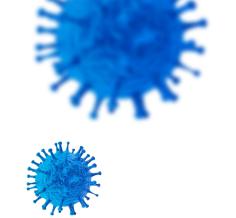
Berkeley Unified School District March 11, 2020

Coronavirus Update to the Board of Education

Brent Stephens, Superintendent Natasha Beery, Director of Community Relations Trish McDermott, Public Information Officer











1 travel from Italy

3 Alameda County Cases

2 from Grand Princess cruise ship



4 deaths

938+ US Cases

30+ deaths







BUSD Planning and Response

- Consulting Public Health and Education Partners
- Adapting Pandemic Plans and Resources
- Communicating with Families, Staff and Leadership

Planning and Information Sources

























Communications



Large BUSD Events Cancelled Schools Remain Open

March 10, 2020

March 10, 2020 Dear Berkeley Community, This afternoon we received new guidance from City of Berkeley Health Officer Dr. Lisa Hernandez, in keeping with guidance that was also issued by Alameda County Public Health Department (ACPHD). According to the City of Berkeley: At this time, we recommend postponing or canceling non-essential mass gatherings and large [...]

Coronavirus Update: March 6/ Información reciente acerca del Coronavirus: 6 marzo

March 7, 2020







Berkeley Unified @Berkeley Unified · 19h BUSD cancels large events based on guidance from City of Berkeley Health

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Berkeley Unified @Berkeley Unified · Mar 7 Información reciente acerca del Coronavirus: 6 marzo bit.ly/2TvjjUN

It's a word you might have heard at school or online or on T.V.

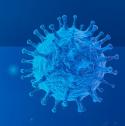




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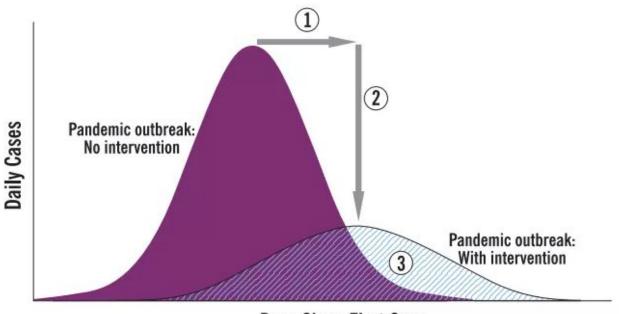
1. Mitigation Measures

- Additional Facilities Cleaning
- Absence and Illness Monitoring
- Communication and Planning for Next Stage



Goals of Community Mitigation

- 1 Delay outbreak peak
- 2 Decompress peak burden on hospitals / infrastructure
- 3 Diminish overall cases and health impacts

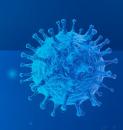






2. Social Distancing

- Canceling Large Group Events
- Communications on Evolving Plans
- Planning for Possibility of School Closure



Social Distancing



Non-Essential Large Gatherings Canceled through March 31:

- **Assemblies**, both indoor and outdoor
- **Field Trips**, both one-day and overnight
- School or District affiliated Student Travel
- Performances and Concerts
- **Evening Gatherings** at schools (inc. open houses, and fundraisers)
- Athletic Events that require travel or hosting outside community
- **Staff Events,** professional development, and business-related travel

Essential Activities Continue:

- Classroom education, including lunch, PE, recess, and after-school
- **District offices and facilities** remain open
- **On campus** athletics practices and performing arts rehearsals
- March 14 **SAT test**
- District and School-Based Meetings (Staff, SSC, PTA, Board, Committees)

Some Meetings May Eventually be Held Online:

Brown/Greene Act meetings require advance notice and public access







3. If Case Confirmed at BUSD School

- Consider School or Full District Closure
- Inform Community; Provide Resources
- Plan for Timing of Reopening

Closing Considerations





<u>Distance Learning</u> can't replace school environment:

- TK-12 is very different from college instruction
- Public schools are required to meet all student learning requirements
- Curriculum not replaceable online across all subjects and grade levels
- Students have unequal access to technology and support

Some <u>Home Learning</u> support may be possible:

- Library and Technology Depts can provide some online resources
- Textbooks and library books may be available for early checkout
- Community resource lists for families are being developed
- Nutrition Services can provide takeaway meals





Questions?





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