

**Board Resolution #19/20-37: In Support of
Conejo Valley Unified School District Graduating Class of 2020**

WHEREAS on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency to exist in the State of California as a result of the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS on March 12, 2020, the County of Ventura Health Officer (“County Health Officer”) issued a Declaration of Local Health Emergency pursuant to Health and Safety Code section 101080, finding that there existed an imminent and proximate threat of the spread of COVID-19 in Ventura County (“County”), and said Declaration was ratified by the County of Ventura Board of Supervisors on March 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS on March 17, 2020, the County Health Officer issued an order directing that all individuals past a certain age remain in their places of residence, limiting the operation of food facilities, and closing specified businesses that serve large gatherings; and

WHEREAS on March 19, 2020, the State Public Health Officer issued an order requiring that all individuals living in the State of California stay at home except as needed to maintain continuity of operations of critical infrastructure sectors as defined (“State Stay at Home Order”); and

WHEREAS the County Health Officer is required by Health and Safety Code section 101030 to enforce and observe all orders of the State Public Health Officer and all statutes relating to public health; and

WHEREAS State law permits local health officers to issue public health orders that are more restrictive, but not less restrictive, than an order issued by the State Public Health Officer, the County Health Officer, based on his evaluation of the unique needs and circumstances existing within the County, issued additional health orders on March 20, March 31, April 9, April 18, April 20, May 7 and May 22, 2020; and

WHEREAS the County Health Officer has determined that there no longer exists a need for local health orders that are more restrictive than the State Stay at Home Order with respect to many activities of individuals and businesses, and that the public health and welfare would best be served by a single set of regulations where reasonable to avoid public confusion between State and local orders; and

WHEREAS the State of California has identified businesses on its website at <https://covid19.ca.gov/roadmap/> that are able to reopen under the statewide order; and

WHEREAS the County Health Officer has determined that some elements of his current order are not addressed by the State Stay at Home Order, and that the public health would be served by supplementing the State Stay at Home Order; and

WHEREAS Ventura County Public Health is allowing car line celebrations for graduations, birthdays, and other special days. When followed, the Car Line Celebration Public Health Protocol will minimize the risk of spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS Dr. Robert Levin, the County Health Officer, pursuant to Health and Safety Code sections 101040, 101085 and 120175, will issue the orders when appropriate for Ventura County to move from Stage Three to Stage Four – End of the Stay at Home Order of the State of California and Governor Newsom’s Resilience Plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education for the Conejo Valley Unified School District hereby issues the following order shall be in effect immediately allowing the Conejo Valley Unified School District’s High School Principals to gradually reopen campuses for larger gatherings, once permitted by Ventura County Public Health orders and safety measures, for an event that allows the Graduating Class of 2020 the opportunity to bring closure to and celebrate their senior year with fellow graduates, high school faculty and staff, and members of the Board of Education.


THEREFORE, the Conejo Valley Unified School District Board of Education shall provide this resolution to state and county governmental agencies and local representatives as notification of the District’s desire to hold a senior closing celebration once permitted by the Ventura County Public Health Orders.

IT IS SO ORDERED and adopted by the Governing Board of the Conejo Valley Unified School District on June 2, 2020.



Cindy Goldberg,
CVUSD Board President

Dated: June 2, 2020



Mark McLaughlin, Ed.D.
CVUSD Superintendent