



EL MODENA HIGH SCHOOL

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ORANGE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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It is a difficult time for our nation, our state, our schools and our people dealing with the pandemic of the Coronavirus. We are hopeful all of the measures implemented will substantially help all of us during this challenging time. We all look forward to returning to life as we knew it. This pandemic has affected us in ways we could not imagine. One of the ways is how we educate and interact with our students in these dangerous and fearful times, so the Orange Unified School District Board of Education held an emergency meeting on March 24, 2020, and voted to extend the student dismissal period until Friday, May 8, 2020. At this point, a decision will be made either to return to school or finish the school year via remote classes. This decision to extend school closures is in alignment with Governor Gavin Newsom's executive order and the latest guidance from local health officials.

Due to the uncertainty whether OUSD will be returning back to school to finish the second semester, the warnings to avoid air travel when possible, the dangers of contracting the COVID-19 Virus and possibly passing it on to our loved ones, I have decided to cancel this year's Hall of Fame/Athlete of Character Banquet.

It is our plan to honor this year's Hall of Fame inductees, which include Norrelle Dickson, Steve and Victor Valen, and Bob Ruddy, in May of 2021. The El Modena community is looking forward to sharing and celebrating their outstanding accomplishments.

Thank you for your understanding as we all navigate through these challenging times.

Stay healthy and safe.

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