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## **AUSD Response to Governor Gavin Newsom Message on School Closure**

The Alvord Unified School District Board of Education held an <u>Emergency Special Board Meeting</u> and took action to close schools starting Monday, March 16 through Friday, April 3, as a result of concerns over the rapid spread of the coronavirus as California has now entered a critical new phase in the fight to stop the spread of this pandemic.

Schools are expected to reopen on Monday, April 6, after Spring Break. However, we will determine if school will resume, based on the circumstances at that point in time. Please monitor District communications closely. There will be certain services provided during our closure, including food services, and Distance Learning, again, depending on the circumstances between March 16 and March 27, to support families (Spring Break March 30 – April 3).

During this closure will focus our efforts on supporting our staff, students, families and community partners. These are difficult times, and the challenge we all face balancing work and family care will never be greater. Together, as a school community, we will overcome this public health crisis.

**ABOUT US:** <u>Alvord Unified School District</u> serves the westernmost portion of the city of Riverside, as well as parts of the city of Corona and an unincorporated area of Riverside County. We serve about 18,500 students in fourteen K-5 elementary schools, four 6-8 middle schools, three comprehensive 9-12 high schools, and two alternative education centers.

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