

Dear CUSD Families,

Chico Unified School District takes students and staff safety extremely seriously. The recent events in neighboring Tehama County reinforce the need for our school administrators and staff to continue their vigilance in monitoring our school campuses.

Thanks to the support of our community, CUSD recently passed Measure K. Funds from Measure K have been used to increase security at our campuses, including security fencing, single points of entry, and security cameras. In addition, each school develops a Safe School Plan every year.

District and site leadership teams work with school site staff to ensure that the staff knows how to respond in a variety of situations, ranging from severe weather to an intruder on campus. To this end, CUSD schools have been holding Code Red Drills to reinforce with students and staff how to respond in case of an emergency. Further, students and staff are encouraged to immediately report any suspicious activities or behaviors that cause unease.

We encourage families to check Twitter ([@Chico_Unified](#)) and our website (www.chicousd.org) as we update information, including school safety messages, on a regular basis.

It is our desire that through the work we do on a daily basis, Chico Unified can play a part in ending senseless violence in our communities. This includes the work being done to improve our school facilities as well as our focus on the social, emotional, and academic development of our students.

CUSD offers both heartfelt condolences and any support we can provide to all those impacted by the events in Rancho Tehama today.

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