Good afternoon parents, this is Vaughn White, Superintendent of Hesperia Community Schools with a brief message.

Parents, the Hesperia Board of Education last night took action to change our beginning school date from Monday, August 31, to Tuesday, September 8, (the day after Labor Day). This decision was based on many factors but primarily was the result of recent legislative action creating variables that need to be sorted out before school begins. We are eager to have your children back in school getting a quality education.

We are continuing to receive guidance from the Governor's office and the Health Department regarding the importance of wearing masks. I know this is a hot topic, but the science is overwhelming regarding the benefits of masking up. Although it is not a requirement for elementary students to wear masks while cohorted in classrooms, there will be times when elementary students will wear masks in class. Teachers may have students wear masks for short periods of time when they are working in close proximity to one another and when working closely with the teacher.

Parents, Friday, August 21, is the deadline for applications for our Panther Virtual school. You may learn more about this virtual school option by visiting our website and clicking on the Schools Tab. Please be sure to thoroughly read the information before applying. You must fill out one form for each of your children that you wish to enroll. Now here is the important part. After reviewing your application, we will send you a contract through your email that needs to be signed and returned to the administrative office within 5 days. Please fill the contract out completely as we need this in order to have your children enroll in classes.

Parents, this pandemic presents many challenges, but with your cooperation and understanding, we can get through this together.