

## **Oak Grove Educators Association**

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## **`Bargaining Update**

September 16, 2020

Your OGEA Bargaining Team met with District Management to discuss the state of education in OGSD and a possible return to in-person instruction.

District Management is not proposing a return to the classroom at this time. We discussed the current state, county, and health guidelines. There was a general agreement neither party wants to return to in person teaching when there is a likelihood that we would have to return to distance learning.

We put forth the idea that we may want to give staff, families, and students some sense of certainty. We suggested remaining on distance learning for at least the first semester (January 2021) for both elementary and intermediate levels. This would give time to reevaluate changing health guidelines and the health data in Santa Clara County. This will also let everyone know what to expect for a period of time. We shared our survey data reflected an overwhelming majority of our teachers are not comfortable returning to in-person instruction at this time.

District Management would like to meet again on October 7 to continue our discussions. They want to review updated health information from the county before making any decisions.

Thank you for taking the bargaining survey. We were able to communicate many of the concerns that have been brought up around distance learning.

If you have questions, please contact a member of the Bargaining Team at <u>ogeabargaining@gmail.com</u> or your OGEA President, Maripaz Berlin at <u>president@ogea.org</u>

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