MEMO

March 13, 2020

To: DCYF Grantees and Staff

From: Maria Su

Re: COVID-19 Memo from the Director

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Dear Grantees:

The San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) announced yesterday their decision to close all school sites to students for three weeks beginning Monday, March 16 through the end of regularly scheduled spring break which ends Friday, April 3.

SFUSD is actively working with DCYF and City agencies on what we can collectively do to support students and families during this difficult time. Together, we will be setting up ways to continue to provide meals for our students who rely on them. We are considering what, if any, childcare options we can extend to families over the next two weeks during this unplanned closure. Please stay tuned for more information.

DCYF is now advising our grantees to temporarily pause their programming. We are taking this approach due to the large numbers of SFUSD students who engage in DCYF-funded programs both at their schools and in the community. While we cannot mandate that programs close under these circumstances, we are now advising it out of an abundance of caution.

Paying Staff During a Shutdown → The Office of the Controller has worked with DCYF and other City Partners to develop guidelines for the Continuity of Payments For Nonprofit Suppliers in the Event of COVID-19 Related Disruptions. Additionally, DCYF has developed specific instructions for our grantees that detail how this policy will be implemented. We encourage grantees to read the...
Controller’s policy and DCYF’s specific instructions and reach out to their Program Specialist(s) with any questions.

As a reminder, please visit the COVID-19 info page to help you protect, prepare and know the facts. This page will be regularly updated, we encourage you and your staff to use this page to access updates, resources and other key information.

In community,
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Executive Director