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Los Angeles Unified School District
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TO: Local District Superintendents
Local Districts

DATE: August 15, 2019

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SUBJECT: AIR QUALITY AND HEAT ADVISORY FOR AUGUST 15, 2019

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) has forecasted unhealthy air quality today in the West San Fernando Valley (areas west of the 405 Freeway).

The SCAQMD states that all individuals may begin to experience health effects in this area. Children and adults with heart disease, asthma and other chronic respiratory diseases should not participate in physical activity and should avoid prolonged outdoor exposure; all others should limit physical activity and prolonged outdoor exposure.

Additionally, the National Weather Service has issued a heat advisory for August 15, 2019 as high temperatures have been forecasted throughout Los Angeles County. If high temperatures persist until the end of the week, an extended heat advisory will be issued.

Please refer to [Bulletin-963.2](#) and [Safety Alert, 11-05, Preventing Heat-Related Illnesses](#) for heat stress prevention tips. Employees working outside or in other areas where heat may be a factor, must be provided access to water and periodic shade to protect from the effects of heat-related illnesses. For additional information specifically geared towards employees, the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health provides a website with valuable information to help protect employees from heat related illnesses. The site can be accessed at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DOSH/HeatIllnessInfo.html>).

Please share this information with schools and offices. If you have any questions or need assistance contact our office at (213) 241-3199.

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