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Dear Families of Students attending Oceanside High School:

Our school has undergone a fantastic transformation over a very busy summer! Our newly renovated school is poised to open for an exciting year and I am sure everyone is anxious and curious to see the new spaces and to enjoy the new cafeteria, classrooms, exercise room, weight room and locker rooms.

Today we had our Fire Safety and Code inspections, and with a short list of some corrections we will be certified to open. Originally this opening was scheduled for September 3, when the Freshmen were expected to arrive for orientation. In order to give the staff and custodians a bit of extra time to settle into their new spaces, we are going to delay the opening of Oceanside High School ONE DAY to **Wednesday, September 4**, for Freshmen Orientation and **Thursday, September 5**, for the arrival of grades 10 through 12.

All other RSU 13 schools will open on Tuesday, September 3.

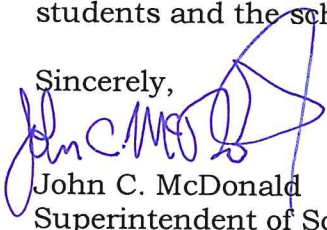
On another note, the students will not have to make up the lost day, as Friday, September 13, which was to be a building-based workshop day, will be a day of classes for students at Oceanside High School only. All other schools will have their workshops as previously scheduled.

Given the scope of the renovations and the very aggressive construction schedule, we are very pleased to be able to accomplish this (nearly) on time opening. We would like to thank our contractors and construction manager for being so accommodating and helpful in helping us meet our opening date so closely. Our staff have also been working very hard on this project and have our appreciation. I would also like to thank the RSU 13 School Board and the public for their continued support of the Schools of Our Future. In the near future, we will be scheduling a ribbon cutting and open house to celebrate the school.

A few notes on dropping off or picking up students at OHS. Parents please drop off or pick up students using the former entrance off the parking lot (where the old Principal's office was). This will be a temporary arrangement while the site work for the new bus circle and new main entrance is being completed. More information will be available on the OHS Facebook page and the RSU 13 Facebook page.

Again, I would like to thank everyone for their support of our schools! It is very exciting to look toward our future and to be so proud of our facilities and the accomplishments of our students and the school community.

Sincerely,



John C. McDonald
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