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Dear Amphitheater Families,

As you know, more than 75% of school employees polled across Arizona voted to begin a walkout on Thursday, April 26. In our district, there were varying degrees of support for such an action from school to school, but 2/3 of those voting voted to walk out.

At this time, it is unconfirmed how this walkout will affect schools in our district. We recognize that this raises many questions and issues for you. Please know that we are working hard to develop specifics for how to best handle the situation for students, parents, and staff members.

I want to assure you that schools will remain open and continue to follow their regular schedule on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday next week. We remain optimistic that we will not have to close district schools on Thursday, April 26. However, if we have too few staff members to appropriately supervise students and ensure their safety and well-being, we may be forced to close individual schools.

We expect to provide additional information regarding any school closures no later than Wednesday morning. In the meantime, we ask that you consider an alternative plan for your student(s) in the event that our schools close.

Because we recognize many students are dependent on our food services, all school kitchens will remain open during the walkout to provide breakfast and lunch meals. We will provide additional information regarding the hours food will be available at each school site next week.

Thank you, again, for your patience and understanding as we manage such a significant event in our state's history.

Sincerely,

Todd A. Jaeger, J.D

Superintendent