



# Project Impact STEM Academy

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Good morning Pi STEM!

In a continued effort to ensure transparency and strong communications with you, I wanted to take just a minute to share the decision from last night's board meeting in regard to the school's instructional model.

On February 15<sup>th</sup> Central District Health (CDH) first adjusted their school rating for the Kuna area from a red category to a yellow category. They have maintained that yellow rating since that time. As outlined in our COVID management plan those decisions by CDH allowed us to move from our red category (3a) to a yellow category (2b) as of February 24<sup>th</sup>. While the adjustment from 3a to 2b had little impact on the instructional model (we remained in a hybrid staggered start model), the shift did allow the board to review a transition back to full day instruction (2a) at last night's meeting.

Following our COVID management plan, review of the CDH data, and numerous discussions with parents, staff, students, and our administration, the board voted to transition to the **full day instruction model** (category 2a) as follows:

- If the CDH rating remains yellow – the evening of March 8, 2021 – then Pi STEM will begin full day instruction on **March 15, 2021** for all grade levels. If CDH does not and reverts to red on March 8<sup>th</sup> we will remain in our current instructional model (hybrid staggered start).
- The full day instruction will include all mandated school safety requirements. Additional measures will be implemented to maintain the school's ability to continue providing a safe environment for learning such as, but not limited to, the wearing of masks, social distancing where appropriate and applicable, increased cleaning of the facility, and others as presented in the COVID management plan.

Our COVID management plan continues to be the roadmap for our review and decision making and your involvement in the development of that plan was key. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out!

Sincerely,

*Teresa Fleming*

Pi STEM Board Chairman