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BCSD delays first day of school School to begin August 24, 2020

In this ever challenging time, the Bakersfield City School District must postpone the start of the 2020-2021 school year. This is a devastating blow to the District and all who have worked tirelessly to prepare for the upcoming school year. BCSD was fully prepared to begin the school year in a virtual format on August 17, 2020, but a delivery timeline for internet hotspot devices was not met by a well-known internet service provider. As BCSD is committed to ensuring equity, to make sure every student has the support they need to be successful, we cannot proceed with our current return to school schedule as we know there are students who will not be able to login to virtual learning on the first day of school without a hotspot. In an Emergency Board Meeting, the BCSD Board of Education voted to move the start of school to August 24, 2020. Thank you for your support and understanding. We will release additional information regarding hotspot distribution and virtual orientation in the coming days.

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