PG&E Power Outage Update:

October 9, 2019

Dear Vacaville Unified Parents,

Thank you for your patience and understanding these past few days, as we wait to hear updates from PG&E regarding the current Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS). We are proud of our students and staff who have been adaptable and positive in adjusting to this situation. We know that keeping children home can be a great disruption to many families. We believe it’s always best to keep students in school where they are safe and engaged in learning.

Vacaville Schools will remain open for the rest of the week.

The schools that experienced full or partial power outages today (Browns Valley, Hemlock, Markham, Orchard, Padan, Country High School, Jepson and Vacaville High School), operated safely and successfully.

Below is the current status of each impacted school site:

Browns Valley - No power
Country High School - Power restored
Hemlock - Partially restored
Jepson - Partially restored
Markham - No power
Orchard - No power
Padan - Power restored
Vacaville High School - Power restored

There is no indication that any additional VUSD schools will be without power.

Please be assured that all schools are safe and students are continuing to be productive and engaged. All students are expected to be in school Thursday, October 10, and Friday, October 11. The following safety measures are in place for schools without power:

- Key staff at elementary sites are equipped with walkie-talkies for school wide announcements and communication.
- High school administrators are able to communicate with teachers via cell phones and are providing portable chargers.
- School site offices have cell phones, which are being charged overnight. The temporary phone numbers are listed in a Google document (see the link below). Some of the numbers have changed, and are updated on this document. We’ve also added additional numbers for sites with high call volumes.
- Fire alarms are battery-operated and are being checked regularly by Maintenance staff; additional batteries will be available to ensure that our fire alarm systems remain operable.
- The elementary schools have secured entries so there is no access to the campus where classrooms have open doors.
Thank you for your support of our schools and being great partners in the education of our children.

Temporary phone numbers:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1nrkI3hEtZ81LC2EcETiECqHoys5ZgHYY6v0FwEquvDo/edit?usp=sharing

Sincerely,

Vacaville Unified School District Administration Team