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Dear Families,

As we begin to bring students back in the building, we would like to inform you of the new procedures we will be adhering to. Please feel free to go over these specifics with your child(ren) to prepare them for what the new school year will look like.

Beginning on Monday, October 12, all K-5 grade students will be attending school in person Monday through Thursday from 8:30am-2:30pm. Students that live intown or are being dropped off by a parent/guardian, are not permitted to arrive on school grounds before 8:15 am. Parent will need to park in the front main park lot and wait for school staff to check in student at the main doors. All students will work independently, online each Friday. This day will be used by teachers for independent work, intervention, family connection, and small groups. Please note, that while independent, Friday is still considered a school day. Students must log in to Skyward each Friday to show their attendance.

At this time, the district is working diligently to create a 6-12th in person schedule. We hope to have more information regarding their entry out to families in the upcoming week. At this time all 6-12th grade students will continue online/remote learning on their preestablished schedules.

The school is still closed to the outside public at this time. Parents will not be allowed in the building unless they have scheduled a time with the front office.

Family will be asked to fill out the Wellness Screening each morning for each student in Skyward. This will be their pass into school. This screening can be found on the front page of the Skyward App or website. Bus Drivers will be taking temperatures as students get on the bus when it is safe to do so. If a family does not have internet access, a pack of green attestation slips will be provided. These slips will be used to signal bus drivers and other staff that your child(ren) has passed the daily Wellness Screening.

The Daily Wellness Screening will ask the following questions:

Question one states if in the last 24hr, have you (your Student) experienced any of the following symptoms in a way not normal to you? Fever or Chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty of breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or running nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea. Question two states if in the last 14 days, have you (your student) been in close contact with a suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19?

If you answered “No” to both questions, your student is feeling well enough to attend school today. If you answer “Yes” to any questions, please keep your student home, and call the office for more information.

The attestation will then convey if your child(ren) is well enough to attend school. Even with a green slip, all students entering the building will have their temperature checked by paras before entering.

Should a student have a fever or shows signs of other possible COVID-19 symptoms, they will be escorted to the sick room and isolated for further assessment. If symptoms continue, parents will be notified immediately, and your child(ren) will need to be picked up within one hour. Any class with a case of COVID will be required to quarantine for 14 days. Should there be two separate cases in the building at any time, the entire school will quarantine for 14 days.

Buses will unload students in front of the main building between 8:15 and 8:30 each morning, Monday through Thursday. Again, if a student does not have a green slip when getting on the bus, the driver will take their temperature and watch for symptoms. However, for the sake of time and everyone's safety, we are asking that this be done at home. Students will be sitting one person to a seat, and are only allowed to sit with others living in their home. The most current bus route information is attached.

All students are required to wear a mask when on the bus or in the school building. Masks need to cover the nose and chin, have two layers of fabric, and fit snugly around the face with no gaps. If your child(ren) does not have a mask, one will be provided. If they come with a mask that does not fit appropriately, we will give them one that is better fitting.

Students are expected to maintain six feet of distance at all times. Teachers/paras may break the six feet of distance to provide individual instruction for students for less than fifteen minutes at a time. Face shields will be used by teachers only when they are teaching a lesson that requires their mouth to be shown. Face shields are only to be used on a temporary basis, otherwise, the Health Department requires everyone in the building to wear a mask.

Students will not be required to wear a mask during outside recess times. Teachers will be incorporating mask breaks into the day, weather permitting. This will allow students to have time without a mask on, while still maintaining six feet of distance.

Desks will be socially distanced and students will keep their backpack and coats on the back of their chair. Lockers will not be used until further notice. All desks will be facing the same direction to reduce the spread of respiratory particles.

Breakfast and lunch count will continue to be taken via Google Forms by parents and caregivers.

Lunch will be eaten in the classroom unless a class decides to go outside to eat, weather permitting.

Elementary Recess/Lunch times are as follows:

KG: 10:45

1/2: 11:00

2/3: 11:15

4/5: 11:30

Classes will not be playing with other classes. This will minimize exposure and allow only one class to quarantine at a time if the need arises.

Students will only be permitted to use the downstairs bathrooms. The upstairs bathroom will be used for students using the sick room. Students will need to maintain six feet of distance in the bathrooms, or wait until the restroom is free to enter.

Due to health concerns, drinking fountains may not be used. Instead, students may bring their own water bottle from home to be kept at school.

No students may share materials or pass out materials with one another. Should a student need classroom materials, the teacher/para will be the only one passing items out.

Students will be released at 2:30pm and will exit in the front of the main building.

For students wanting to continue with online only instruction or paper packets/zip drives, materials and meals will be delivered on Mondays. Meal service will also be sent home on buses Tuesdays and Thursdays; however, no learning materials will be sent out those days. If you are choosing to stay home, you must continue to log your attendance daily through Skyward.

For students choosing to continue to learn online, direct instruction will be available for students the following day. Teachers will be recording their lessons as they are taught throughout the day and will be uploaded to Google Classroom to be completed the following day. This method will be used in place of pre-recorded lessons. Pre-recorded lessons will no longer be available. This will allow students who opt for online learning and/or quarantined students to receive the same education as in-person students. Assignments and Assessments will be uploaded via Google Classroom.

We cannot tell you how happy we are to have students back in the building! We are working diligently to provide your child(ren) with a safe learning environment. Thank you for your patience as we go through this process together.

If you have concerns that have not been addressed, please let us know!

Thank you for sharing your child(ren) with us.

Your Partners in Education,
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