

Dear Parents/Guardians,

With all factors taken into consideration and safety of our students and staff paramount, we are going to pivot from our current status of operation to fully online learning for this coming week. We will assess whether we will need to continue this strategy district wide on Friday, September 25th. The following is our plan for this week:

MONDAY – Maintenance and Custodial crew will be cleaning and disinfecting the entire campus. The offices will be sprayed and disinfected and nobody will be in them during or after cleaning for a safe period of time. Do not expect offices to be open and personnel manning the phones. There will be no cafeteria services this day due to cleaning. All learning will be through Google Classroom for students that are currently classified as Hybrid and/or Traditional.

TUESDAY – Teachers will be at school working and performing Parent & Teacher conferences by voice, google meets, zoom, text, email, or whatever arrangements have been made between the parent and teacher. Offices will be manned this day if you need to make contact with the school. This was always a non-student day with no cafeteria services.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, and FRIDAY – All staff will report to work. Cafeteria services will be performed providing a breakfast and lunch. More information will come out no later than Tuesday describing how this will occur on those days. All classroom instruction will occur virtually through Google Classroom for students that were Hybrid or Traditional before this weekend.

We will reassess the need to continue virtual instruction on Friday and make announcements no later than Sunday afternoon. We will make the announcements as quickly as possible, but it may be similar to the current situation in which we get new information on Sunday that changes everything.

Please note that anyone that has been notified about having to self-quarantine due to being positive, being tested without a positive result, or being a close contact will NOT return until the date their quarantine expires. This could mean an entire class will not come back until Wednesday while the rest of the school comes on Monday. Pay attention to your specific calendar dates for return if you have been contacted individually and go by the information from that contact. This letter does NOT change what you were told when you were contacted individually by a school administrator.

We are still having school this week, but it is through virtual means. Unless already contacted, no sports teams or organizations are restricted from practicing, performing, or competing. We are in contact with coaches and activity leaders asking them to be extra cautious with their particular groups and to limit risk through increased mitigation practices where they are practical. While being cautious, we are not cancelling activities and competitions unless necessary. As of this moment, High School Football is the only activity group or team that is restricted from all group practices and competitions.

We currently have 3 staff members and 5 students that have tested positive and those 8 individuals have resulted in the need to close the school when we follow state guidelines. Please practice social distancing, wear a mask, and wash your hands as needed. We do not want to have to continue restricting school and activities any more than is necessary.

Thank you for your support of our students and schools.

Edward Ray, Superintendent