



LINCOLN COUNTY R-IV SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Winfield R-IV families and staff:

With the continued news of confirmed positive COVID-19 cases in our county, school districts must continue to be flexible and make decisions that are in the best interest of public health. Following the guidance of local and state health departments and the recommendation of the Lincoln County Health Department, the Winfield R-IV School District will not offer in-person instruction for first quarter. 100% Virtual instruction will be offered to all district students at least through October 16th, the end of first quarter of the school year. Our District's hope is that positive COVID-19 cases begin to decline between now and October 16th. This approach will ensure that students continue to have access to a high-quality educational experience. A detailed building level plan will be communicated to each of our parents in the coming days that will include how students and families will access devices, curriculum, and other needs. Additionally, the start date for our calendar year will be moved to September 8th which will allow additional training to our teaching staff in regard to offering a full virtual instruction platform to our students.

Our District will continually assess the conditions of the COVID-19 pandemic we are facing and the progress of our educational programs in order to determine how we will proceed throughout the remainder of the school year while keeping the safety of students and staff as our highest priority. Our District understands the hardships this will place on many families within the Winfield School Community but hope that our stakeholders understand that we are providing the best possible return to the learning environment while continuing to follow the guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control, the State of Missouri, the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, and the recommendation of the Lincoln County Health Department.

This continues to be an ever-evolving situation. Therefore, updates will be communicated as available. Each building will communicate specific details pertaining to their families through their regular channels.

Please continue to follow the guidance provided by the Lincoln County Health Department, Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention regarding COVID-19 prevention.

Thank you for your continued patience and partnership as we work to slow the spread of the coronavirus and keep our families safe.

Sincerely,

Daniel Williams
Superintendent of Schools