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MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

January 15, 2020
Dear NLSD Families,

Once again we find ourselves gearing up for the next chapter of the incredible '20-'21 school year. It is our intention to provide in-person instruction for our students until the end of the school year. With a vaccine in sight and our school community following proper mitigation strategies, we are hopeful that our vision will become a reality! The District has been busy planning for the return of students to the in-person learning model. Below are a few updates and reminders regarding our transition.

- **Transportation Updates:**
 - Adjustments were made to current bus routes. Parents should log into PowerSchool and review their bus information prior to Tuesday, January 19.
 - As a friendly reminder, students should arrive at least five minutes prior to their bus pick up time and have their mask on as the bus pulls up.
- **Quarantine Updates:**
 - We will continue to utilize the 14 day quarantine period according to the IDPH recommendations.
 - If your child/staff member is exposed to someone with a COVID infection and your child/staff member has had a confirmed COVID infection within the past 90 days, they will not need to quarantine unless symptoms are present. If your child tests positive for COVID, please submit a copy of the result to the school nurse. We must have a copy of the test result or a note from your physician indicating that your child tested positive with the date of the COVID infection.
 - CrisisGo self-certification questions will be updated beginning on January 19 to reflect changes regarding quarantine for persons with positive COVID results.
 - All in-person staff and students must self-certify daily.

[Click here](#) to access the January 4, 2021 IDPH Updated Guidance for Schools

In addition, we have made some adjustments to instruction for students in quarantine. Since quarantine numbers are difficult to predict, servicing students may look different at each grade level. Teachers have the flexibility to accommodate students based on the needs of the students in quarantine, using the method that works best for their schedule. We ask that our parents understand that teachers will do their absolute best to meet the needs of students in quarantine. However, quarantine instruction is not full remote instruction. Quarantine instruction may be provided by a teacher in the form of live lessons, video recorded lessons, or ZOOM small group instruction. Assignments will be located through See Saw and Google Classroom, and teachers will continue to check in as necessary. The addition of Homework Club will be provided to grades 1-8 for those students needing additional assistance. Due to high bus ridership, the biggest risk for quarantine is if a student rides the bus. Kindly notify your school if you would like your child to become a car rider.

We are extremely hopeful that we will be able to keep our doors open. As we have learned this school year, this is only possible when our entire school community works together. We ask for your patience, kindness, and support as we continue to provide the very best for the students of NLSD 122!

Sincerely,

Lori Motech, Ed.D
Superintendent

