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MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

September 17, 2020

Dear NLSD Families,

I hope this email finds you well and enjoying this beautiful Fall week!

Below is the return to in-person instruction timeline;

- Sept. 28: High Priority Special Education Programs return to in-person instruction
- Oct.13: Remote Transition Day: NO STUDENT ATTENDANCE
- Oct. 14: First day of in-person instruction

PowerSchool is now open for parents to choose your child's learning option. If your child is part of a high priority special education program returning September 28, please submit your new learning option in PowerSchool. If you need assistance logging into PowerSchool, contact your school office during regular business hours. Outside of business hours, email ps_questions@nlsd122.org for assistance. In order to minimize educational disruption, we are asking families to commit to their option until the end of 2nd trimester (February 24, 2021).

Learning option must be completed by Monday, September 21 at noon.

REMOTE LEARNING OPTION

The remote learning option will consist of the State mandated requirement of 2.5 hours of synchronous learning (real-time instruction with live interaction) and 2.5 hours of asynchronous learning (self-paced, academic engagement) for grades 1-8. For PreK/K students, the duration of learning is 1.5 of synchronous and 1.0 of asynchronous. Modifications to the current remote program may be made based upon the number of remote learners and staff availability. These modifications may include changes in teacher assignment, schedules, and methods of instructional delivery. Special education services will continue to be provided as outlined on the student's remote learning plan. It is our intention to strive to deliver a remote learning experience similar to the current mandated remote plan. When choosing the remote option, simply choose remote. You will not be asked to fill out additional information.

IN-PERSON LEARNING OPTION

Prior to choosing the in-person learning option, read the [Health Pandemic Parent-Student Handbook](#), which can also be found under the COVID-19 link on the NLSD website. Specific building procedures will be communicated to families prior to October 14. When choosing the in-person learning option, you will be prompted to answer a transportation question and provide an email address for self-certification for students.

TRANSPORTATION QUESTION

If you are choosing the in-person learning option for your child, you will also be asked to choose your child's mode of transportation. As with your learning option, we are requesting families to commit to transportation until the end of 2nd trimester (February 24, 2021). If you choose "Car Rider," we will not route your child to a bus. You will be asked to transport your child to and from school every day. We thank those families in advance for sacrificing bus service if you are able. If you believe you may need bus service for any days before the end of February, then you should select "Bus Rider" so that your child is routed to a bus and saved a spot. Please note that bus stop change requests are going to be difficult to accommodate this year. Please be aware that paid bus riders are not guaranteed a bus spot for the year.

EMAIL ADDRESS FOR MANDATED DAILY SELF CERTIFICATION (HEALTH SCREENING)

If you choose the in-person learning option, you will be asked to provide an email address which will be used to send you the [daily self-certification \(health screening\) link that will be required to be completed each day before your child enters a school or bus.](#) This link can only be sent to one email address. We are asking you to provide an email that you can access daily. For those with shared households, self-certification can also be accessed through PowerSchool.

You have been incredible partners throughout this historic school year. Once again, we are asking for your assistance throughout this transition. We want to be able to keep our schools open for in-person instruction. In order to do so, it is crucial that our school community follows the necessary mitigation measures in order to keep our doors open.

As stated on numerous occasions, whether in-person or remote, NLS D will continue to provide the very best education for the very best school community.

Sincerely,

Lori R. Motsch Ed.D
Superintendent

