

February 26, 2021

Dear Keeneyville District 20 Families,

It was wonderful to welcome many of our middle school students back into Spring Wood this week as they transitioned to the Hybrid Learning Model. Thank you all for your ongoing support and patience as we continue to make transitions mid-year and navigate this challenging year together. We know that everyone is anxious to return to "normal," but we caution students and families that we must continue to adhere to required mitigation strategies to keep our buildings safe, including wearing face masks, 6-foot physical distancing, frequent handwashing, enhanced cleaning, and offering the vaccine to all D20 staff. Together, we can keep our schools a safe learning environment.

## **Return to Learn Updates**

- Synchronous (Live) Remote Learning Day: Monday, March 1 will be a Remote Learning Day for all grades, with synchronous (live) instruction following the AM/PM Schedule. There will be no in-person classes as we anticipate that many of our staff may have a reaction following the COVID-19 vaccine.
- **Updated Attendance Days:** Please note that Monday, April 5 and Thursday, June 3 will be Student Attendance Days as we have need to use two snow days. The last day of school will be Thursday, June 3. Should require any additional emergency days, we may need to adjust the last day of school.
- Parent/Guardian Survey: Just a reminder to share your feedback on the annual <u>Parent/Guardian</u> <u>5Essential Survey</u> to help make improvements to your school. The survey is open until April 2.
- Food Services: Free Meals will continue to be distributed daily to in-person students (elementary & middle school). Multi-day packs will no longer be given to in-person students, but families can get meal packs at Greenbrook for weekends and holidays. Remote Students can continue to pick-up breakfast and lunch at Greenbrook or Waterbury on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at schedule times. See the March Schedule & Menus, including special pick-up schedules for the upcoming remote learning day and spring break.
- Pandemic-EBT Food Benefit Program: Families who are eligible for the National School Lunch Program may
  qualify for the "Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer Program" (P-EBT). This is a temporary food benefit
  program during the pandemic that may provide benefits for groceries for days that children engaged in
  remote learning lack access to an in-school lunch. <u>Visit P-EBT Food Benefits Program</u> for more information.
- **School Calendar 2021-2022:** Last night the School Board approved the calendar for next school year, which is now posted on the district website.

Thank you again for your continued support! Enjoy the warm weather this weekend!

Sincerely,

Dr. Omar Castillo Superintendent of Schools Keeneyville ESD 20