Dear Keeneyville District 20 Families,



As a reminder, for the health and safety of our students and staff, *District 20 will implement an "Adaptive Pause" in our in-person learning and we will switch students in all grades, and at all schools, to a <u>full remote learning model</u> starting after Thanksgiving Break, on November 30 and continuing until after winter break. We will continue to monitor COVID-19 metrics very closely and will provide frequent updates by email and on our <u>district website</u>. Please note a few updates and reminders for families:*

<u>Parent Teacher Conferences</u>: Will be held virtually on Monday 11/23 and Tuesday 11/24. No classes will be in session next week.

Remote Instruction for All: All students will attend classes remotely during the in-person/hybrid pause, 11/30 to 12/18. Our goal is to return to in-person/hybrid learning on Monday 1/4, if we can do so safely.

- Elementary students will continue following the AM/PM schedule with a slight change to the times, to add the arrival and dismissal times into instructional minutes for our students during remote only learning. <u>Elementary times:</u> AM 8:30am-11:10am, PM 12:10-2:50pm.
- Middle School students will follow their current schedule that has been in place throughout the fall (they will not shift to AM/PM at this time). Middle School times: 7:45am-1:45pm.
- Health protocols will continue for students and staff. If your child is not able to attend remote classes for any
 reason, parents/guardians should <u>report the school absence</u>. Please continue to report if your child has had (1)
 symptoms of COVID-19, (2) close contact with anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19, and/or (3) has
 tested positive for COVID-19.
- Supply Pick-ups will be scheduled by your school so that you can pick-up any needed instructional materials for your child during remote learning.
- After school tutoring and clubs will be held virtually, with details to come from your school.

<u>Technology Support</u>: <u>Drive-up Tech Support</u> will be available daily at each school. You should also submit help tickets by email to technology@esd20.org.

- Students should use only their district-assigned Chromebooks when attending remote classes. They should not be using other laptops, tablets, cell phones, or other non-school devices.
- <u>D20 Free Internet Programs</u>: Two free internet programs are available to families who qualify for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program: (1) Comcast Internet Program (ends 12/1/2020) and (2) Free WiFi Hotspot Loan Program. Apply now so that you can ensure your child has internet access for remote learning.

<u>Food Services</u>: Free breakfast and lunch will continue to be available for all children age 18 and under. Please note the <u>new pick-up locations and times</u> as we are returning to bus delivery of meals through our community during the hybrid pause. Monday 11/23 is the pick-up day for Thanksgiving Week, with 7-day meal packs to be distributed to families who pre-registered. We will have meal service during the December holidays, specific pick-up information will be shared soon.

D20 Buildings Open: Schools and District Office will remain open during their normal operating hours throughout the hybrid pause, with limited staffing to meet safety guidelines. Please contact us if we can be of assistance.

Thank you to our students, families, and staff for helping to make the #ESD20Thankful campaign a huge success. We received close to 200 personal notes of gratitude for our hardworking teachers and staff which will be shared privately. This is more evidence of how we are strong together as a community. We wish you a healthy and safe Thanksgiving with your loved ones!

Sincerely,

Dr. Omar Castillo Superintendent of Schools Keeneyville ESD 20