

## RTR SCHOOL DISTRICT #2902 Russell – Tyler - Ruthton

Happy Holidays,

Last evening, Wednesday, December 9th, the RTR ISD #2902 School Board met electronically and decided to continue with our (PreK-12) Distance Learning Model throughout the month of December. This decision is in direct response to the high levels of COVID-19 and community spread across our school district. A decision was also made last night to change from Distance Learning on Monday, January 4, 2021.

## Our RTR ISD No. 2902 proposed learning plans going forward will include the following changes:

- A. Continue with our current (PreK-12) Distance Learning Plan throughout the month of December.
- B. Staff Only will report on Monday, January 4, 2021 to plan for learning method changes. No students.
- C. RTR students will return to school on Tuesday, January 5, 2021 to the following learning plans:
  - (PreK-5) RTR Elementary School in Ruthton will return to an In-Person Learning Plan with all students reporting each school day at 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. School buses will run.
  - Middle School (Grades 6-8) in Russell will return to the 67% / 33% Hybrid Learning Plan with students reporting at 9:00 a.m. until 3:13 p.m. School buses will run.
  - High School (Grades 9-12) in Tyler will return to the 67% / 33% Hybrid Learning Plan with students reporting at 9:00 a.m. until 3:08 p.m. School buses will run.
  - In an effort to track COVID-19 infections within our school population, we ask that parents and staff continue to inform school personnel of positive cases. To report a positive case or a case of close contact, please notify one of the following people:

RTR Nurse, Bev Seehusen: <a href="mailto:bev.seehusen@rtrschools.org">bev.seehusen@rtrschools.org</a>
RTR Elem Secretary, Jordan Lichtsinn: <a href="mailto:jordan.lichtsinn@rtrschools.org">jordan.lichtsinn@rtrschools.org</a>
507-658-3301
RTR Middle School Secretary, Julie Wieme: <a href="mailto:julie.wieme@rtrschools.org">julie.wieme@rtrschools.org</a>
507-823-4371
RTR High School Secretary, Teri Schreurs: <a href="mailto:teri.schreurs@rtrschools.org">teri.schreurs@rtrschools.org</a>
507-247-5911

- D. Our school facilities are closed to the public during this remote learning time.
- E. Athletics and Activities are not permitted at this time by Governor Order.

I understand that distance learning is not the best method of teaching our students. I know this learning plan causes much disruption and heartache for our parents, and I realize that some students struggle with this learning plan; however, this plan is the safest for a short while to get through the holidays. Please stay safe!

Thank you for your support,

Superintendent Marlette