

October 23, 2020

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Stakeholders,

Please read - IMPORTANT

CURRENT STAGE: YELLOW/ Orange

As of Oct. 23 we have 8 new secondary students that have tested positive and currently quarantining. These students have not been in attendance since Oct. 16th. We also have numerous secondary students quarantining because of exposure to someone who has tested positive.

We also have students out due to normal cold/flu symptoms. We ask that students self-monitor their exposure to others and monitor themselves for symptoms as appropriate.

Please Note:

As of today, we are planning on moving SECONDARY STUDENTS ONLY (7-12) to at-home instruction beginning Monday, Oct. 26 through Nov. 6th. Our intent is to slow the exposure/spread among secondary students. We apologize for the lateness of this decision, but we are watching numbers daily and feel that we need to make this move now. We hope to be able to bring back secondary students as of Nov. 9th to face to face instruction. (We will continue to keep you updated).

Elementary (PK-6) will continue to operate in face to face until further notice. We do not have any confirmed cases within the elementary student body or staff and would like to continue to offer face to face instruction for as long as possible. We will be sending out additional information next week as to what group your child will be in if we have to move to a hybrid schedule.

Protocol Update (Changes approved by Board of Education on 10/14/20):

Action plan for students who show symptoms or who have been exposed* (*less than 6 ft/ more than 15 min. to confirmed COVID case).

1. **Non-exposure/ Symptoms only:** Students will be asked to stay home until symptoms have passed. No fever for 24 hours, **without fever-reducing medication**, no cough, and no signs of illness are evident.
2. ***Exposed/ Non-symptomatic:** Students who have been directly exposed* will be asked to remain at home for a minimum of 5 days up to 14 days from the last day of exposure. Work will be provided to students during the absences. Absences will be excused. **If a student tests negative following a five (5) calendar day quarantine they will be allowed to return to school, however, they must wear masks during the school day and during any extra -curricular events for the remainder of the 14-day period. If a student does not test, they must quarantine for 14 calendar days.**

Masks: PLEASE REMIND YOUR STUDENTS TO BRING THEIR OWN MASK TO SCHOOL ON A DAILY BASIS.

Athletics: Jr. High and HS Football seasons have ended and equipment will be returned at a later date. Jr. High Volleyball will pause their season, hoping to return to practice & play the week of November 9th.

HS VB qualified for state last night, and will play at Troy Saturday in the District Championship at 7pm. There will be specific information sent to HS VB players and their parents regarding practice and play for next week.

Communication:

Zoom Meeting: We will be hosting a Zoom meeting at 6:30p.m. on October 28th. The meeting link will also be advertised in the district announcements/ bulletin on the district home page. We hope to provide you up to date information at this meeting as well as provide time for you to ask questions.

Topic: Community Meeting

Time: Oct 28, 2020 06:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89672265626?pwd=TmRpZ2JNb28waGRSVHlKZUFhNzVYQT09>

Meeting ID: 896 7226 5626

Passcode: MKrL06

We will continue to update information on our district webpage throughout the year. Please bookmark www.sd282.org to keep up with the most up to date information. A huge “Thank you” to all our parents who have been calling and communicating with our office and staff when students need to be absent. We appreciate you keeping us informed.

As always if you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to our teachers, office staff or Administration. **Thank you for all your support!**

Sincerely,

Dr. Wendy Moore, Superintendent/ Elem. Principal

Mr. Kelly Caldwell, Secondary Principal/ AD