

January 13, 2021

Dear TRCS Parents/Guardians -

I hope that you had a restful and enjoyable Holiday break. The transition back to remote learning from our break has gone well. The news of a COVID vaccine becoming available to our entire TRCS staff has infused a level of hope that we will eventually be able to be back in school with our students soon.

Every month, the Board of Education, and the district leaders review our extended COVID-19 learning plan. Monday night, at our board meeting, we presented our extended learning plan data from December 2020. We also shared our current status of our extended COVID-19 learning plan for the remainder of 1st semester, and what our plans were for starting the new semester on Monday, January 25th, 2021.

Our recommended plan for ending the first semester was to remain in a remote educational setting for grades PreK-12th through January 22, 2021, and begin the 2nd semester with PreK-5th grade returning to full-time in person learning on January 25, 2021. Grades 6-12 would begin the second semester in the hybrid model.

During these monthly review meetings we have a significant amount of dialogue on whether to proceed with the recommended plan, or to make changes to the plan. Monday night the Board of Education provided us with the direction that they would support as we move forward.

The Board of Education changes made to our current Extended COVID-19 Learning Plan are as follows:

- PreK-5th grade will return to in-person learning on Tuesday, January 19th, 2021. This will continue for the second semester.
- Grades 6-12 will be in remote learning through January 22nd, 2021.
- Grades 6-12 will move to the Hybrid schedule starting on January, 25th, 2021, and transition to 100% in-person learning 5 days a week starting on February 8th, 2021.

With the decision to return to 100% in-person learning for grades 6th - 12th on February 8th, 2021, we will continue to strive to make our middle school and high school as safe as possible for students and teachers. However, the reality of having all of our MS and HS students back in the building at once will make many of the recommended safety protocols a challenge to achieve. Social distancing, especially in hallways, cafeteria, and in the classroom will no longer be feasible. We will also be discontinuing screening students for Covid symptoms at the entrances. Cleaning and sanitizing protocols during the day, and in the evening at all buildings will continue on a daily basis. We will also continue the requirement that all students age 5 through 12th grade, and adults, wear masks while inside the school with the exception of lunchtime.



We will still offer a 100% Virtual Learning option - Lincoln Learning for those students/families who are not comfortable having their child attend school in person. Please reach out to your students' school to request enrollment for 2nd semester if you have not done so by January 29th, 2021.

On behalf of the board of education, and the TRCS staff, I want to thank you for your patience, resiliency, and continued support as we navigate these challenging times together. We have, and will continue to work diligently in providing a quality educational experience for your student.

Sincerely,

Ron Moag - Superintendent