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July 28, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Rosemead School Board of Trustees, district administration, and staff hope that you are all safe and well. As previously communicated, all schools in the Rosemead School District will begin the 2020-2021 school year via Distance Learning Only. This means instruction to students will be provided virtually online. The first day of school is scheduled for August 19, 2020. As we prepare for the beginning of the new school year, we would like to share updates and information to ensure our students are prepared for the start of school.

Technology – Our Distance Learning program will require all students to have a working computer to use on a daily basis. An iPad, tablet, or phone will not be sufficient. Any student in our district is eligible to check out a Chromebook computer for their personal use at home. We are also making available "hot spot" devices to allow students without internet connectivity to access the internet for the purposes of accessing classes and completing assignments. To prepare for student technology needs, we are offering the following supports,

- Students who previously checked out a Chromebook or "hot spot" device will be able to keep them for use during the new school year.
- We are asking select students to return their devices, Chromebooks and "hot spots", so that we may issue new devices. These families will be contacted by our Technology Services department to set up an appointment to exchange devices.
- Students who do not currently have a device and need one for the new school year will be allowed to check one out from their school site based on the following schedule:
 - o Monday, August 3 Shuey Elementary School 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 - o Tuesday, August 4 Encinita Elementary School 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 - o Wednesday, August 5 Savannah Elementary School 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 - o Thursday, August 6 Muscatel Middle School 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
 - o Friday, August 7 Janson Elementary School 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- *All visitors will be required to wear facial masks and practice social distancing requirements when visiting our campuses.

Parent Updates – More information regarding our Distance Learning program and schedule will be shared as follows:

- A parent communication detailing our plan, student expectations, and schedule information will be shared with families on or before August 10, 2020.
- Site principals will host parent meetings and parent professional development the week of August 10 to August 13. More detailed information on these sessions and student materials distribution will be shared by your principal.
- This year's Back to School Nights will be held virtually and occur on or before the first week of school to make sure you and your child(ren) have the opportunity to meet our teachers and learn about classroom expectations and procedures.

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Student Meal Applications – We highly encourage all families to apply for free or reduced price meals by visiting the following website: https://bit.ly/2BywBd2. The application process is safe, secure, and private.

Schools Offices – All school offices will be open for registration and information on August 13. *All visitors will be required to wear facial masks and practice social distancing requirements when visiting our campuses.

Please feel free to contact our district office or your site principal with any questions you may have. Thank you again for your patience and support of our students and school district.

Respectfully,

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