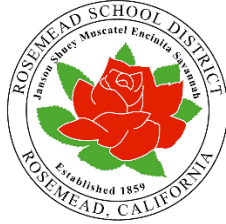


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September 21, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Rosemead School District Board of Trustees, our teachers, support staff, and administrators would like to thank you for a smooth opening to the school year. As we move into month two of Distance Learning, we are witnessing students continue to engage in meaningful and productive work. We understand that not every student in our district is experiencing the same level of success and will therefore be providing the following opportunity to select students.

On September 2, 2020, the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health (CLADPH) updated their Reopening Protocols for K-12 Schools to “permit schools to offer in-school services for small cohorts of students with Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) and children who are English Learners (EL) needing assessments and/or specialized in-school services starting September 14, 2020.” In order to invite students on campus for assessments and in-school services we must ensure that the number of students on campus at any one time does not exceed 10% of the total student body and that we fully implement the CLADPH Reopening Protocols and COVID-19 Exposure Management Plan.

Our school district is working diligently to identify students who meet the CLADPH criteria needing additional support so that we may invite them for specialized in-school support services as well as prepare our campuses for the return of these students. Below is important information and next steps as we look to welcome back select students.

- Students on an IEP and/or EL students who need assessments have been contacted to schedule appointments for in-school assessments.
- English learner students and/or students on an IEP who will be invited for specialized in-school services will be contacted next week and the week after, respectively, by our school site administrative offices.
- Students will not be required to attend in-school specialized services if parents feel uncomfortable having their children attend.
- EL students will begin specialized in-school services the week of September 28, 2020.
- We have tentatively scheduled students on an IEP to begin specialized in-school services the week of October 5, 2020. The exact date will be confirmed by site administrative offices.
- Students invited for specialized in-school services will attend school from approximately 8:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m., depending on their school site. A final schedule will be shared with students and parents by our site administrative offices.
- Per CLADPH protocols, all student groups will consist of 12 students or less, must maintain physical distancing, wear facial coverings, and practice proper hygienic practices.
- All students and staff entering our schools will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms, including a temperature screening.
- All invited students and parents will be allowed to visit schools prior to the scheduled start date to observe our protocols and safety practices.

It is important to emphasize that not all students will be invited to return, only students on an IEP and/or EL students who have been determined to need in-school support will be invited, as we must adhere to the 10% of the total student body count. We are hopeful that as the number of COVID-19 cases decreases, CLADPH will allow more students to attend school in person for instruction and support.

Respectfully,

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