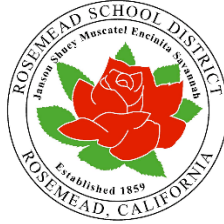


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August 10, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Rosemead School District Board of Trustees, our teachers, support staff, and administrators are looking forward to the start of the 2020 – 2021 school year for all students. As previously communicated, all students will begin the school year in Distance Learning and receive daily instruction and support online, virtually. Below are some important updates regarding our instructional program and support services.

**Distance Learning Instructional Program** – Students’ daily schedules will include a combination of synchronous live instruction and asynchronous independent work. For our younger students, live on-screen instruction will begin slowly and gradually increase. Our goal is to balance live instruction with independent work so that students are not overwhelmed with too much time behind a computer screen. For elementary students, daily live instruction will occur in the morning with afternoon’s reserved for independent work and additional support time individually or in small groups, depending on need. Our middle school students will attend classes virtually, periods 1 through 7, just as if they were in a traditional school setting. Teachers will include live instruction and independent work within the periods to ensure a good balance for students. Opportunities for small group instruction and individualized support will also be included.

For students on an IEP and our English Learners, additional support and related services will be provided by our talented team of specialists.

Please refer to the attached Distance Learning Flyer for more information, including sample student schedules.

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

- Site principals will host parent meetings and parent professional development beginning the week of August 10. These sessions will include more specific information about student schedules, learning expectations, support for students, and teacher assignments. Information about session times 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. Schedules for site Back to School Night will also be shared by our site principals.

**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. If you were unable to check out a Chromebook or “hot spot” device last week during our site distribution, you may still do so directly from your school. Please contact your school for more information.

**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. Information regarding meal distribution will be shared by our Nutrition Services department in the coming days.

**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,

*Alejandro Ruvalcaba*  
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Superintendent of Schools

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