



August 8, 2020

Hello Rosholt Families:

Many preparations have been taking place this summer as we get our school and staff ready for in-person instruction starting on Tuesday, September 1. All preparations are aimed at providing your child a safe learning environment through the use of social distancing protocols and increased cleaning/disinfection at our Rosholt Schools building. We are expanding cafeteria space into our Elementary Gymnasium, as well as adding tables to the Commons for seating. We have adjusted our recess schedule so that we are not mixing grade-level cohort groups amongst the Elementary School. Whenever one group of students leaves a space, the learning area will be disinfected so that it is ready for the next group of students. There will also be some classroom site changes so that students can participate in learning in a larger space that promotes greater social distancing. And above all else, students will be washing or sanitizing their hands many times - often hourly - throughout the school day.

Students will be entering our school building each morning through three doors: the back door from the Student Parking Lot, the MS-HS Office Door and the Elementary-Health Office Door. When they enter, their temperature will be taken by Rosholt staff members using non-contact thermometers. Any student with a temperature above 100.0-degrees Fahrenheit will have their temperature taken again 2-5 minutes later; should their temperature still be above 100.0 degrees at the second reading they will be sent home until they are fever free for 24 hours.

The [State of Wisconsin mandates that facial coverings be worn](#) by all persons 5-years of age and older when spending time in an indoor space other than their primary residence. Should a child have a medical reason that a mask cannot be worn, please share a medical provider's orders with your child's principal prior to them coming to school without facial coverings. We cannot waive the requirement unless we have orders from a medical provider. When children are outside the building, they do not need to wear or utilize facial coverings unless they are participating in an activity within an enclosed area.

Facial coverings will also be required by all persons 5-years of age and older when riding a school bus. School buses will be sanitized after each ride. We will also be making slight bus route adjustments before the school year begins to better balance the students riding so to afford the greatest spacing on our vehicles. We will also be assigning seats with siblings sitting with one another to strategically provide safer rides to and from school.

We will provide your child with one washable mask, as well as a lanyard for holding on to the mask should they go outside our school building. It is the family's responsibility to provide their child with additional facial coverings for use during the school day. Should a mask be forgotten, we will provide your child with either a sanitized, washable or disposable mask to wear at school.

I am sharing our [ground-level protocols for how the school district personnel will operate at the beginning of the school year](#). Please understand that any visitor to the school district must have an appointment made prior to their arrival at the school. This is not meant to cause you inconvenience; rather it helps us provide you, as well as our students and staff, with a safe visiting experience.

Any student entering school after the school day begins must go through the MS-HS Office (even elementary students). Our Elementary School Office will be converted into a two room Health Office for the duration of the pandemic. If you are picking up a well-child, regardless of their grade level, during the school day, please go to the MS-HS Office for pick-up. If you are picking up a sick child, please come to the Elementary Office doorway and we'll bring the child outside to meet you. All school inquiries, calls and parent visits for K-12 students will begin through the MS-HS Office starting September 2020.

We will continue with safety protocol updates in the weeks ahead, as well as once school starts in September. We are keen to follow these procedures in our earnest hope for keeping our Rosholt families healthy. Please join with us on teaming together to provide our students a great school year.

On Monday afternoon, August 10, a survey will be sent home via email (it will also be listed on the website) requesting your timely feedback regarding whether your child will be attending school in-person or participating remotely from their home. Should you choose the home option for schooling, we will utilize the Google Classroom (grades 3-12) or Seesaw (4K - gr. 2) learning management system platforms for all classes/content areas, as well as sending/emailing home textbooks and paper copies of work. Regardless whether your child learns at home or at school, they will be returning to a traditional grading system this fall. Above all else, we want all of our Rosholt families to feel they have an instructional style that meets their unique family needs. We will also be requesting information in that survey regarding your family's transportation decisions for Fall 2020 as we're looking to decrease the number of students riding buses to/from school.

Should you have any questions, please contact your child's principal: Mr. Jim Grygleski at the Middle-High School and Ms. Mary Anne Cline at the Elementary School. Thank you for your family's continued support for our school district.

Take care,

Christopher Thompson, EdD
District Administrator