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Dear Parents.

The CUSD Board has decided to open school with all students eligible to attend 5 days a week. We will start this schedule on October 19. We will surely have some issues that arise in our planning. We ask that you give us your feedback kindly as well as a little time to get all details worked out. One of the biggest issues right now is our bus schedule. We will get this out to you as soon as we can, but we may require flexibility on arrival and dismissal times. We have attempted to anticipate some questions below. If you have additional questions, feel free to email jaldridge@cusd49.com or smohr@cusd49.com.

Transportation:

We are working on our bus schedules and procedures. It would be helpful if you could make plans to drop off and pick up your student(s) to the greatest extent possible during the week of October 19-23. Face coverings will be required on the bus for all ages. We will provide additional details on bussing procedures and routes by the end of this week.

Pick up/Drop Off:

Students should not arrive on campus before 7:45 am. Once they arrive on campus, they will report directly to their classrooms. School will start at 8:15.

Pick up procedures will be the same as they have been during the hybrid model. Parents will need to park and come to get their students. TK-1 will come out about 1:55 pm. The other students will dismiss at 2:00 pm.

Access to Campus:

Access to campus is still limited. Parents/Visitors will not be allowed to visit classrooms. Any meetings with staff will occur by phone or video conference.

Face Coverings:

Students in Grades 3-8 will be required to wear face coverings. Students in Grades TK-2 will be strongly encouraged to wear face coverings. All

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adults on campus, including parents or visitors to the office, will be expected to wear face coverings.

Illness:

If your child is displaying any of these symptoms: fever, chills, cough, fatigue, shortness of breath, muscle or body aches, difficulty breathing, headache, sore throat, nausea/vomiting, congestion or runny nose, diarrhea, new loss of smell or taste, the student needs to stay home!

Students who are displaying the above symptoms need to stay out of school until they have a negative COVID test, they have an alternate diagnosis from their doctor, or 10 days have passed since the symptoms started, symptoms have improved, and they are fever free without fever reducing medications.

Any student who is a close contact will need to be sent home 4 days after exposure to the original student if the original student hasn't resolved their illness as not COVID.

Distance Learning:

Students who are continuing distance learning will continue to check in with their teacher. The teachers will be in contact with you regarding the schedule and how to proceed.

Technology:

If you checked out a Chromebook from the school, your child will need to transport the computer back and forth or bring it to school and leave it here.

If you checked out a internet hot spot, you may keep it until later this year. It can be used for your child's homework or in the case of an absence. If you need a hotspot, we still have some available.

Lunches:

All students may eat lunch for free throughout the remainder of the school year. Please encourage your child to eat at school if they would like.

Thank you,



Joe Aldridge

Superintendent