



CWASD Weekly Family Communication

August 26, 2020

1. Fall Planning Update

All families should have received all the reopening plans for the district, and both of our school buildings. After reading through those plans, it is my hope that our school families can appreciate the amount and level of planning that has gone into preparing for a full, in-person return to school. While we know our plans are not perfect, we feel that what we've put together strikes a string balance between opportunity and risk. Our staff has simply done a great job maneuvering through the many hurdles thrown before them throughout the process. **Our families should be very proud of our district and staff in this undertaking.**

2. Transportation

As mentioned in our last communication, bus capacity, or the number of riders on our buses remains a concern. It is still our goal to reduce our bus capacity to less than 50%.

While we are still trying to develop a solution for transporting the in-town students, we have not been successful. We will try one more solution this week, but I want to make our families aware that it's likely we may not be able to provide the convenience of in-town bus contracts like in previous years. If families live within a one-mile radius of the school and previously had a contract with Erb Bus to transport your child(ren) to school, please have a backup plan for an alternative transportation source.

Last, all students and adults riding buses are required to wear a face-covering at all times.

3. [What to Do If Your Child is Sick](#)

Please use the link to the resource above to learn more about what to do if your child(ren) begin to show possible COVID-related symptoms.

4. Have a Plan and Be Ready to Implement Your Plan.

Please continue to have plans in place for school closures, child absences due to illness, or quarantine/isolation. We do not want any school family caught in a situation where they do not have appropriate childcare. While we do our best to keep our operations consistent, some issues will not be under our control.

I've included a resource that may assist our families with what to plan for this school year. [Back to School Planning](#)

5. Food Service and Families Opting for Virtual Learning

We are happy to announce that CW students who are learning virtually can receive meals through the CWASD Food Service program. Families that qualify for “free” meals can still receive free meals. Families that are eligible for “reduced” price meals can still receive reduced-price meals. Families that do not qualify for free or reduced meals will pay the full price for meals just as if students were in the building. Fully paid students and reduced price students will have the costs of meals deducted from tier foodservice accounts.

Families will order meals ahead of time and pick up behind the HS/MS during the day. We will share the specific times for pick up and how to order on Monday, August 31.

6. Health & Safety Resources for Families

The following are suggestions for families to consider as they prepare their students for the upcoming school year. The more we work together with teaching safe practices to our students, the more healthy we can be once we get together.

- a. [Keeping Children Safe During COVID-19](#)
- b. [How to Protect Yourself and Others](#)
- c. [Help Stop the Spread of COVID-19 in Children](#)
- d. [Cloth Face-Coverings in School](#)
- e. [Considerations When Wearing Face-Coverings](#)
- f. [How to Wear Face-Coverings](#)