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To: RRVSD Community
From: Brad Curtis, Superintendent & CEO
Re: COVID-19 UPDATE #14

All resources and further updates for the RRVSD Community will be posted on our website: www.rrvsd.ca

The province announced on June 22, 2020 in the [Restoring Safe Schools Plan](#) that the school start date for the 2020-2021 school year will be **September 8, 2020**. The 2020-2021 School Calendar is posted on our website.

It was also stated that teaching staff will be returning to school on September 2, 2020 to prepare safe physical distancing spaces and implement public health protocols to ensure a safe learning environment for staff and students.

Currently, we are waiting for further direction regarding classroom capacity, physical distancing and transportation guidelines. Representatives from the transportation department of Red River Valley School Division will be in contact with all families currently eligible for transportation. As per the Minister's message in his June 25 news conference, school divisions have been directed to inquire which families may be willing to volunteer to transport their children to and from school.

With the news of a September 8, 2020 return, RRVSD will be developing contingency plans in case full capacity is not possible due to Public Health Orders.

At this point, the government has proposed three possible models for return to school:

Full Implementation Model - Upon returning to school, the students will follow the usual school schedule. As safety and health of our students and staff are paramount, an intensive cleaning schedule will continue as well as adherence to any public health order guidelines as communicated by the provincial government.

Blended Learning Model - If the "Full Implementation Model" is **not permitted** due to Public Health Orders, we will make accommodations for K-8 students to attend every day. For students in grades 9-12, a blended learning model of in-class and remote learning will be in effect. In-class learning every day will also be provided for K-12 students with exceptional needs, providing parents/guardians permission.

Remote Learning Model - In the scenario in which Public Health suspends in-class learning in its entirety, RRVSD will adjust plans accordingly, using technology and continue to support the teaching and learning process through the use of Google Classroom.

We will continue to provide updates as they become available.

In closing, we want to express how appreciative we are of the efforts of all involved as we navigated through the COVID-19 global pandemic. Thanks again to the students, families and staff for your assistance in the learning process. Have a great summer.

That each of us will be life long learners