

May 11, 2021

Greetings EGF ISD 595 Families and Staff Members!

I hope all of you are doing well! The end of the 2020-21 school year is approaching quickly and the 4th of July will be here before we know it! It has been one of the most interesting years in my lifetime and I am looking forward to regaining some sense of normalcy in the near future! Thank you for all of your efforts and best of luck with the remainder of the school year! We are going to make it! Please take a little time to review the following information and feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

**Final Week of the 2020-21 School Year** - We are heading into the final weeks of the 2020-21 school year and to say that it has been an interesting year would be an understatement! Students, staff members, and families have been extremely resilient and made countless sacrifices throughout the school year. There are less than three full weeks of school remaining in the school year and I am hoping for a strong finish with no interruptions. You will see in the following section that COVID cases have been on the rise in the county and school district. There was a spike in cases a couple of weeks ago, but things have slowed down in the past week. Please stay the course and continue to monitor for symptoms. Thank you!

**COVID Updates** - The latest 14-day case per 10,000 number for Polk County is currently at **45.90** (April 11-24). Updated data can be found every Thursday at [K-12 Schools: 14-day COVID-19 Case Rate by County](#). The latest EGF ISD 595 positive COVID cases data for students is listed below.

<b>East Grand Forks ISD 595 Positive COVID-19 Case Data through 5.6.21</b>						
	New Heights	South Point	CMS	Senior High	District Wide	Total
<b>Student Positive Cases from 9/8/20 to 5/6/21</b>	7	17	26	44	0	94
<b>Staff Positive Cases from 9/8/20 to 5/6/21</b>	10	8	6	12	2	38
<b>Total Positive COVID Cases from 9/8/20 to 5/6/21</b>	17	25	32	56	2	132
<b>Student Positive Cases from 9/8/20 to 5/6/21 - NOT IN SCHOOL</b>	22	18	26	39	0	105
<b>Staff Positive Cases from 9/8/20 to 5/6/21 - NOT IN SCHOOL</b>	7	3	7	6	3	26
<b>Total Positive Cases from 9/8/20 to 5/6/21 - NOT IN SCHOOL</b>	29	21	33	45	3	131
<b>GRAND TOTAL OF POSITIVE CASES</b>	46	46	65	101	5	263
<b>Case Number Increases from 12/22/20 to 5/6/21</b>	11	16	12	36	0	75
<b>Case Number Increases from 2/24/21 to 3/26/21</b>	0	0	0	3	0	3
<b>Case Number Increases from 3/26/22 to 5/6/21</b>	7	13	14	32	0	66
<b>Quarantined Students on 5/6/21</b>	15	18	60	19	0	112

**Early Dismissal Reminder** - The early dismissal schedule for students will continue until the end of the 2020-21 school year. Please plan on 12:50 and 1:15 dismissal times on May 14, 21 and 28.

**Prom 2021** - I am very thankful that many of our students were able to attend Prom 2021 after missing out in 2020! Event planners had to think outside of the box in order to provide a safe and special event! I would like to say “THANK YOU” to Diana Ranten, Meredith Vanyo, Brian Loer, Bruce Nelson and other event organizers for being creative and providing a memorable experience for the students! I would also like to thank the City of EGF and local businesses for their cooperation! Your efforts are greatly appreciated!



**2021-22 School District Calendar** - The EGF ISD 595 Board of Education adopted the official 2021-22 school calendar on April 26, 2021. Please go to [2021-22 EGF ISD 595 School Calendar](#) to view the calendar. A big “THANK YOU” goes out to the staff and school board members who helped with the process!

**Green Wave Recognition Recipients** - Congratulations to the latest Green Wave Recognition recipients who were recognized by the EGF ISD 595 Board of Education on May 10, 2021. Super job!

- **Garrett Craven** – Earned 3rd and 4th place finishes at NDHSAA State Boy’s Swim Meet!
- **State Speech** and **State Boys Hockey** participants will be recognized at a future meeting.



**Green Wave Activities Update** - The Green Wave athletes and musicians have been very busy and the spring season will be coming to close in a few weeks. Please check the school district website for event schedules and stop by to support the Green Wave athletes and musicians!



Have a great day and stay safe!

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