



School Board Meeting

May 12, 2020

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PURPOSE STATEMENT

Ridgefield School District aspires to be the state's premier district, leveraging strong community partnerships to provide each student personalized learning experiences, opportunities, and skills that ensure success and unlimited possibilities.

QUALITY INSTRUCTION

We ensure research-based instructional practices are implemented in every classroom utilizing access to professional growth and collaboration opportunities to reflect on and improve our practices.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

We deliver a premier educational program dedicated to developing the whole child. We provide students with personalized academic and extracurricular opportunities while increasing student learning.

LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS

We strive to provide safe, well-maintained facilities with 21st century learning environments in which all students can succeed. We will maximize the availability of our facilities to support community use.

COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

We create educational partnerships to promote collaboration, improve communication and provide programs for greater learning opportunities.



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Coronavirus Update

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***What does school
look like in
September?***

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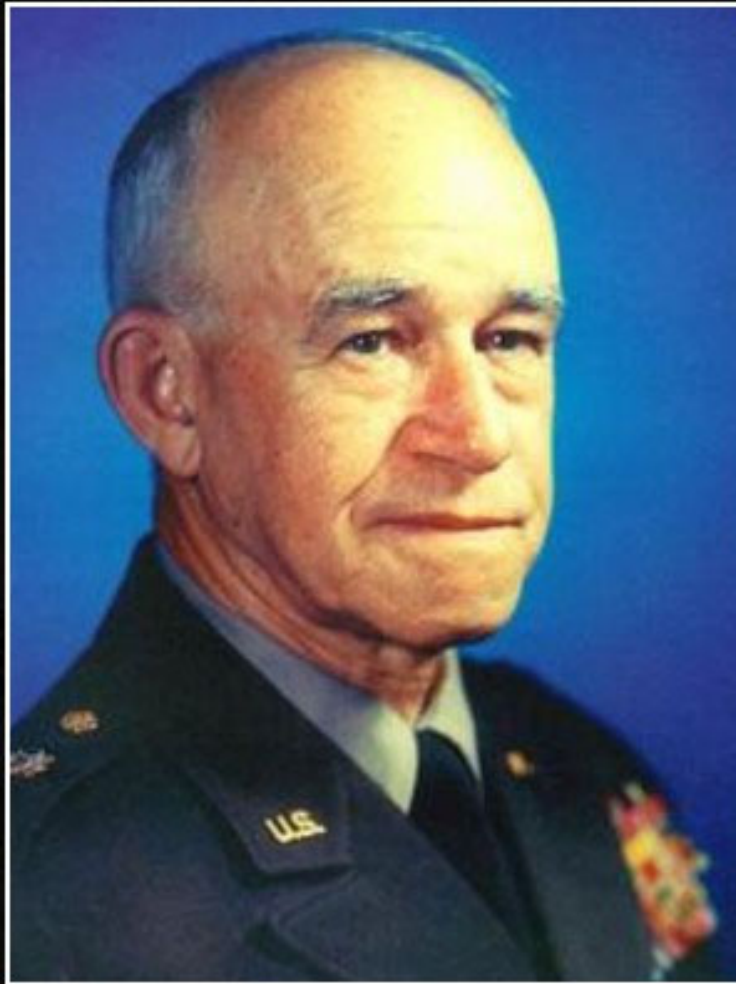


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Unknowns

- **State Requirements/Expectations**
 - Reopening Schools Taskforce convenes Wednesday
- **Budget**
 - Funding largely driven by enrollment. COVID-19 has created a highly unpredictable environment
- **Staffing/Enrollment**



Amateurs talk strategy.
Professionals talk logistics.

— Omar N. Bradley —

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Considerations

- **Transportation Services**
 - Traditional transportation on 84 passenger school bus
 - Decrease in bus capacity means more busses and/or runs
 - Daily cleaning protocols
- **Nutrition Services**
 - What will it take to give every student 20 minutes to eat?
 - Cafeterias v classrooms
 - New service models (no self-serve)

Considerations (cont.)

- **Custodial**

- Enhanced nightly cleaning
- Additional day porter to clean frequent touch points during school day
- Cafeteria/playground/play-PE equipment
- Electrostatic spray cleaning (when, where)
- Severe shortage of hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes
- Recruitment of additional staff

Considerations (cont.)

- **Ensuring student/staff health/safety**
 - Policies and procedures for attending school/work
 - Daily temperature check? Face mask requirements?
 - High-risk students/staff
 - What happens if (when) there is a confirmed COVID case in building?



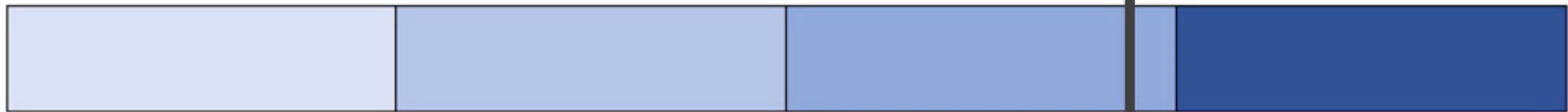
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Student Learning

- **In-person? Distance? Blended?**
 - Physical distancing impacts master schedules
 - Maintaining consistent cohorts impacts learning model
 - ThoughtExchange feedback

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Student Learning (cont.)

- **Summer Learning Supports?**
 - Funding (CARES)? Will conditions allow for this?
 - Mitigate learning loss, SEL and Trauma-Sensitive Supports
- **Social Emotional Learning supports for all students**

More questions

- **Athletics/Interscholastics/Performing Arts**
- **Community Education Programming**
- **Early Learning – we are a critical daycare provider**

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