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Dear Herrin Unit #4 Parent/Guardian:

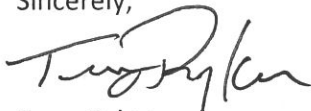
As you know, Herrin CUSD #4 started the school year with the option for hybrid in-person learning Monday through Friday for all elementary school children. We also provided a remote option to all parents. As four weeks have progressed, we have had an increasing number of parents select the remote only option. Teachers are now planning for their in-person lessons coupled with those students' afternoon lessons while providing lessons and support for remote only students. The changing dynamics of more parents selecting remote learning has crunched the learning day and not enabled the teachers to have the chance to reach all the remote students that need support.

In order to provide the support needed for remote learners, while providing the time to prepare lessons for in-person learners, we are going to move to remote only on Fridays. Monday through Thursday will remain the same, but Fridays starting on September 18, 2020 will be a remote only day for all students. This change will allow our faculty and staff to communicate with all of their students, plan for remote and in-person learning, for the following week, and provide additional services for remote only students.

This is not a change that we had wanted, but we feel that it is necessary in order to provide the best possible education for all our students. Herrin CUSD #4 is committed toward educating your child and we long to provide in-person instruction for all our students for a full day. Hopefully that day will arrive this year. In the meantime, we will continue to provide the best educational opportunities we can for all our students.

As always, we appreciate your patience and support. If you have any questions, or concerns, please feel free to let us know.

Sincerely,



Terry Ryker
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