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Roseau County School Districts Consider Changing Instructional Model Due to Increasing Covid-19 Case Rates

On Thursday, September 10, 2020 Minnesota Department of Health has published their weekly 14-day Case Rate for Minnesota Counties which cover the period from August 16, 2020 through August 20, 2020. Roseau County's Case Rate rose to 10.99. According to the State of Minnesota' Safe Learning Plan Guidelines this indicates that Roseau County Schools may stay in person for elementary students but move to a hybrid model for high school students.

Each Roseau County School District has developed individual plans for a hybrid learning model. School hybrid learning models in Badger, Greenbush-Middle River and Warroad School Districts are able to bring all high school students to school each day making accommodations for increased safety measures. Roseau will be moving grades 7-12 to their hybrid model. This includes splitting students into two groups that will alternate attending school to accommodate the increased safety measures. Roseau School has sent parents and students their hybrid model learning plan.

The goal of the Minnesota Safe Learning Plan was to give schools flexibility to determine their learning model at the start of the school year. Additionally, school districts have been given guidelines as to when to switch between learning models but it is up to each district to determine if and when they adjust their learning model. Locally, each school district has been given more frequent and current Roseau County Case Rates and they have been working closely with LifeCare Public Health to monitor COVID-19 in Roseau County so that they have the most recent information to make these decisions.

For more information about Roseau County School District's Safe Learning Plan, please access the appropriate school website.

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