

Arcohe Union School District

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Arcohe Families,

We are making our final preparations to open campus next week for in-person teaching. Students will be returning in a hybrid model with students either coming to school from 8:10 – 2:45 on Mondays/Wednesdays or Tuesdays/Thursdays. Families should have received their designated days a couple weeks ago, but if you have not received it, please check your Aeries school account or call the main office. Fridays will continue to be distance learning lessons for all students based on individual teacher discretion. When students and families arrive back on campus next week, there are a number of things we want to let families know about:

- Wellness checks Our ability to stay open is solely based on our capability of keeping people safe and healthy. To do this, we really need the support of everyone in the community to stay open. Prior to coming to school every day, please check your children for symptoms related to COVID. If in doubt, please keep your child home for the benefit of all and let the office know. We will be performing temperature and wellness checks every day at school, but if we can stop sick individuals from making it onto campus, we have a better chance of staying open.
- Arrival to school To be able to control the flow of students in the morning, we are going to lock both the staff parking lot and the middle school campus loop for drop offs in the mornings. For now, all students have to be dropped off in the main campus parking lot in the front of the school. During the first week, parents will be able to walk their children to class, if necessary, but we are really trying to limit the number of bodies on campus. Please help us with this.
- **Dismissal from school** Parents and family members will no longer be able to wait outside classrooms after school. We ask parents to either stay in their cars or wait in the front grass area, if needed. Teachers will be walking classes out to the pick-up area to reunite families with students. To avoid the crowds of kids, the TK and Kindergarten classes will be walking out ten minutes early at 2:35.
- Face coverings While family members are on campus, we ask everyone to follow the mandates laid out by the public health department until restrictions are eased.

- **Visitors to campus** Visitors to campus will be limited to those conducting official business or attending meetings until 3PM. If you have to be on campus for one of these reasons, you will need to have your temperature taken prior to coming onto campus.
- **Scheduling** There are a number of scheduling items we want to make you aware of over the next few weeks:
 - o Wednesday, November 11th No school due to Veterans' Day
 - Monday, November 16 November 20 1:30 dismissals every day due to Parent Teacher Conferences – all conferences will be held virtually
 - o Monday, November 23 November 27 No school due to Thanksgiving break
 - Tuesday, December 1 and Wednesday, December 2 School picture days the schedule will be released soon for both students attending in-person and students doing virtual learning
 - o Monday, December 21 Friday, January 1 No school due to Winter Break
- Office The main office will be locked throughout the day, but the front and side
 windows will be open for business to happen. Please make sure students have all their
 materials for school prior to arriving to limit the amount of backpacks and lunches we
 have to deliver. Also, the main office will only be open for limited hours on Friday
 mornings so we can deep clean the office.
- Technology As students return to school from distance learning, we are going to have students keep whatever technology they have checked out from school until the end of the pandemic. Students will still be completing some tasks online for their non-school days and will still need access to the internet.

We are beyond excited to see our students back on campus, but we want to do it in a way where everyone is safe and we are able to stay open. While none of this is ideal at the moment, please help us make the best of the situation and get back to some sense of normalcy. If conditions change for the district, we will communicate with you as soon as possible. Be well and stay safe!

Respectfully,

Trow Miller

Superintendent/Principal

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