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To Their Full Potential*

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Brooke Clenchy, Superintendent
Dr. Todd Maguire, Assistant Superintendent

To: NRSD Families and Staff

From: Brooke Clenchy, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Todd Maguire, Assistant Superintendent of Schools

Date: September 12, 2020

Re: Reopening Memo (7)

Dear Families and Staff,

As we draw closer to our start date of the new school year we want to share a couple of final salient points from the Central Office.

Bus Video

Please take a few moments with your children to review the new bus safety video [here](#), which is posted on the front page of our website. Special thanks to one of our students, Tyler Mignault from Bolton - a rising Freshman at NRHS, for his many efforts to direct, produce, stage, tape and edit the video for us!

Remote Learning Academy (Middle School)

Our Middle School Remote Learning Academy is fully staffed and relocating its teaching space to be closely connected with one another to share and plan collaboratively. Reina Rago is co-ordinating this project and has sent out an informational welcome back letter.

RLA Teachers are working with their current job alike peers in their own buildings, but we anticipate moving them to a centralized location shortly. Ms. Rago will send out staff and essential information about the start of the school year very shortly.

First Day Back

Each school will be doing something marginally different for their first day back on Wednesday. The format will be similar across the district having students acquaint themselves with each other, their schedules and their teachers! Please look for information coming from building principals shortly!

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Chromebooks

We have received well over 400 hundred additional chromebooks to the district over the summer and are still waiting for more. Our 9th grade students are being equipped with their devices next week and our 6th grade students will also receive their devices as we begin the school year. The process at NRHS of distribution is well underway.

Grades 3-5 students will also be transitioning to individual chromebook devices as we begin the year and roll out our required digital citizenship curriculum and acceptable use policies. This essential training involves online safety and the care and use of a digital device and will take place early in the year. The district will continue to prioritize getting devices out to our 3-5 learners and to K-5 families who do not have a device in the home. Specific information on chromebook deployment for our remote learners and those without a device will be forthcoming from individual buildings. We thank you for your patience as we continue to orchestrate this process at our elementary schools.

Bus Routes

We continue to work on developing our student bus lists as they connect to CDC and Board of Health guidelines. Luther Burbank Middle School and Hale Middle School bus routes will be posted this weekend and the remaining school bus lists will be posted early next week on the district website and on each individual school web page. This has been a challenge to maneuver as we work through detailed guidance and last minute student changes. Special thanks to Michelle Cote and Dee Bus for their many collaborative efforts with this.

Finally

A note of thanks to everyone who has continued to work from March 13th to now to have us in the position to begin a new school year - staff, administration and parents. Challenges continue for all of us as we navigate daily surprises that come to us as a result of a pandemic still actively playing out across our country. We continue to learn things and adjust in real time. We expect glitches and we will work through those to find resolutions.

NRSD is ready and we are excited to start the year!

Yours in partnership,



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