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September 1, 2020

Dear Parents,

Last night, the Roseville Board of Education voted to start the year virtually for all students. The first day of the school year remains September 8th for all students. The first week of school will be half days to familiarize students with what the upcoming weeks will look like. This was a very difficult decision. We were hoping the numbers of COVID cases would get better by now, but unfortunately that is not the case. Macomb County has the highest rate of positive COVID cases in southeastern Michigan and it has been this way for several weeks. Some of you may ask why we waited so long to make this decision. It is mostly because we were optimistic that things would get better.

The Board of Education chose to have our students work virtually through October 9th. Students who signed up for face-to-face will return to school on October 12th. The first week that students will be allowed to return to the buildings will be a modified schedule, to transition our students back to the in-school environment. We will have to establish routines and expectations so they can be successful upon their return.

Teachers are required to use Schoology as the learning management system. This will provide a consistent look to your child's virtual experience. This is what many of you asked for in the spring. We will also be providing support videos for parents to help them support their child navigate the Schoology platform. Student expectations will be much higher this fall as well. All students will receive grades based on the work they complete. There will not be a pass/fail system like in the spring. Our teachers are receiving additional intense training in virtual learning over the next two weeks. They are eager to learn how to help your child succeed in the virtual environment. Students will be contacted by teachers with their passwords. A letter will also be sent to all parents with logon information.

Our food service department will continue to provide meals for our students. We will have pickup centers and satellite locations for pick up. Students or parents may pick up food at any location food is distributed. We will send out more information from the food service department this week.

I want you to know that we all want things to get back to normal. We want our students to be able to come back. However, now is not the right time. We must look at the safety and health of our students and staff first.

Principals and office staff will be available at the buildings to support you. Teachers are ready to support you with any questions you may have. Our tech department is also ready to help you with any issues with your device. Together we can achieve success.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Blaszkowski', with a stylized, cursive script.

Mark Blaszkowski
Superintendent