



RUSD Headline News Wednesday, April 14, 2021

A Message from Superintendent, Dr. Nancy Lynch

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you were able to have some down time over the Spring Recess. We are very excited for the transition to our final reopening phase next week! We greatly appreciate that families who may have traveled or gathered are spending this distance learning week at home to meet the self-quarantine requirements.

Phase 4 of Reopening Campuses Starts on Monday:

Remember that students in the Traditional program will be attending almost a full pre-COVID day schedule beginning on Monday through the end of the school year. I have been in communication with Public Health and many of the restrictions in the current year are not expected to continue into the fall so this means we can eliminate the staggered start/end times and return to normal school schedules for 2021-22.

Bel Aire Principal Replacement:

We are very happy for Lexie Cala and supportive of her decision to accept a position of superintendent in Sonoma County. I know she will do very well in this new role as she brings her outstanding leadership, talent, creativity and passion that has greatly benefited RUSD and our community to her new district. We have posted the vacant position on educational recruitment sites through April 26th, and we tentatively plan to interview candidates the first week of May.

In preparation for candidate selection for interviews, I have scheduled a meeting with Bel Aire staff to gain feedback on the qualities, characteristics and experience they would like to see in their new principal. To reach out to the broader stakeholder community, I have scheduled a meeting for Thursday, April 22nd at 10:00 AM at this [link](#) for parents and community members to share their thoughts and ideas as well. If you are not able to attend, but would like to share your input, please email Keith Woodard at kwoodard@reedschools.org with PRINCIPAL QUALITIES in the subject line.

Bus Passes for 2021-22 School Year:

The Yellow Bus Challenge will soon be sharing information about when bus passes will go on sale for next year and the requirements from Public Health that will apply to capacity and rules to follow when on the bus. Stay tuned for upcoming communication.

Summer Learning Resources:

RUSD norm-referenced and local assessments show that our students are not experiencing the learning loss that is often highlighted in news articles across the country. Over the past year, we have been so grateful to our students for being adaptable to new instruction and learning modalities, our teachers and staff for reimagining high-quality instruction and programs, and our parents who have truly partnered with us along the way as co-educators.

For families who would like to keep their children engaged in learning throughout the summer we will create a link, as we did last summer, with apps, resources and schedules that can assist parents in this process.

While students will not be able to keep their district-issued iPads over the summer, they will still have access to some of our district-licensed programs such as Raz Kids (K-2), DreamBox (K-5), Zearn (K-5), Reflex Math (3-5), IXL (6-8), and Study Island (6-8). A full list of apps and activities will be shared with parents later this spring.

Reminder: Phoebe Hearst 2021 Outstanding Educator Award

Please tell us about the wonderful qualities that you and your child appreciate about their favorite teacher this school year [at this link](#). Each note of appreciation will be confidentially shared with the teacher you choose to recognize. We are thankful and fortunate to have such a dedicated and exceptional faculty who have risen to every challenge. Responses must be received by Friday, April 30th.

Warm regards,

Nancy Lynch, Ed.D.
Superintendent

Parent Resources: Suicide Prevention Awareness for Parents and Teens

One of the most tragic impacts of Covid-19 is the alarming increase of suicidality among kids and teens. Congregation Rodef Sholom invites you to a vital conversation with Tim Lea, Suicide Prevention Outreach Director at Buckelew Programs in Marin County to learn how to recognize the signs that your child—or one of their friends—might be thinking about suicide and what to do about your concerns. Parents will learn how to approach your teen and how to make and implement a safety plan with them. Teens welcome.

Click [HERE](#) to register and receive the ZOOM link. For more information please contact: Congregation Rodef Sholom/(415) 479-3441.

Have questions or comments?

Click on the **Parent Feedback Form**. A few of our District Communications Committee members will regularly check this link for new questions and comments and will be able to help respond to questions promptly.

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AUCTION 2021

The Foundation Spring Event is a Silent Auction! From **May 3rd-7th** enjoy a week-long, fun-filled chance to bid on exciting items. Our spring event is always a time to come together as a community to have some fun! Here are some ways to get involved...

DONATE AN AUCTION ITEM

Donate a vacation home, event tickets, art, wine, or experiences such as boat trips. Email Tai Carpi for more information at tai.carpi@me.com



HOST A SIGN-UP PARTY



You host and the proceeds go to FRS! Determine the theme of your COVID safe party - be as creative as you like - and decide if it is for kids, families, moms, dads, or couples. Many parents team up to host together!

For more information, contact Tina Davis at tina_e_davis@yahoo.com and Morgan Greenberg at morgan.greenberg@me.com

VOLUNTEER

Join our volunteer team! We can use your help for...

- Student Art
- Grade level gift baskets
- And lots of other jobs big and small!



Contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Julie Stewart, and learn how to get involved at julie.ohara@gmail.com

Please feel free to join our monthly meeting this Thursday, 4/15 at 10:15 AM to get a preview of our May auction and hear about where our fundraising efforts currently stand,

Meeting Link Here

<https://zoom.us/j/97065889898?pwd=VW11MXpXTm1Vbjc4QXdxUE1ERjhyQT09>

THANK YOU TO THE 400+ FAMILIES WHO HAVE DONATED \$1.4 M!

It will take all of us to reach our goal.

Please Donate Today!

<https://www.foundationforreedschools.com/donations-1>



REED UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT PTA

Place those lunch orders early!

Be ready for the start of Phase 4 next week - schedule your lunch orders ahead of time at www.choicelunch.com

PTA Executive Board Slate

The 2021 Nominating Committee has completed its work to develop a slate of nominees for the 2021-2022 PTA Executive Board. The slate will be presented to the PTA Membership for election into office during the District PTA meeting on May 19. Congratulations to the following individuals for their nomination:

District President - Jen Riley

District Secretary - Mickey Hubbell

Bel Aire Site Chair - Laura Smith

Reed Treasurer - Allison Richards

Bel Aire Treasurer - Jen Feldman

Del Mar Treasurer - Sheri Neuman

TO ALL OF THE RUSD TEACHERS
WHO HAVE JOINED THE PTA

Thank You!

Did you know our teachers support the PTA by joining and paying membership dues? It's not too late to become a PTA member along with your teachers.

[CLICK TO JOIN PTA](#)