



## RUSD Headline News Wednesday, December 2, 2020

### A Message from Superintendent, Dr. Nancy Lynch

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope you were able to enjoy a low-key, small and safe Thanksgiving break with your family. Our unusual pandemic circumstances may have resulted in some new traditions that you may have decided to carry into the future. If you created a new and fun experience that you would like to share, please send a photo to [ssimontacchi@reedschools.org](mailto:ssimontacchi@reedschools.org) as we would love to post it to our RUSD Instagram account.

#### **Additional COVID-19 Testing Date:**

We are appreciative that so many families signed up to be COVID-19 tested this week. We have had 773 people sign-up for the 3 days of testing. To allow more people to sign up, we have added Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup> as an additional day for staff and families to be tested. Please see the following information for details.

**Testing date: 12/04/2020**

**Time: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

**Site: Bel Aire (Board Room)**

**Appointment Link: [Click Here to Schedule COVID Testing](#)**

***Deadline to sign up by 5:00 PM on Thursday, 12/03/20***

#### **What You Need to Bring**

You will need to **BRING THE FOLLOWING COMPLETED FORMS** (linked below) with you on the day of testing:

1. [Patient Test Request Form](#)
2. [Venous Consent Form \(antibody test only\)](#)
3. [Authorization Form to Disclose Results \(optional\)](#)
4. [Uninsured Patient Form \(if no health insurance coverage\)](#)
5. A photocopy of the front and back of your medical insurance card

**Please note: The school office will not be able to make copies for you.**

You can receive either an antigen or live COVID-19 test. You can make an

appointment for yourself and family members.

Everyone must do their part by being tested following the holiday break, continuing practices of wearing face coverings, hand washing and physical distancing, as well as quarantining at home after travel or gathering with people outside of your social bubble. These are all steps to help ensure that our schools stay healthy and open for students to attend.

### **Transition to Phase 3:**

RUSD schools will transition to Phase 3 of our Phases of Reintroduction Plan on Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. This means that elementary students will maintain their current start and dismissal time, however, attend in-person Monday through Friday. At Del Mar,  $\frac{3}{4}$  of each student cohort will attend Tuesday through Friday in-person with Monday being a virtual day. Del Mar will send additional information to families to clearly outline the changes to student schedules.

Our teachers, administrators and support staff have put in tremendous effort to continuously ensure that we keep our schools safe for everyone. Making three different transitions in how our teachers deliver instruction as we have progressed through the phases has taken incredible effort and dedication for which I am truly grateful. Teachers have successfully engaged students in meaningful and inspiring learning opportunities (virtually and in-person) that have provided for students' academic and social-emotional progress during this extremely challenging time in our history. Without all of their efforts, and the amazing support and partnership of our parents, none of these achievements would be possible. By continuing to work together, exhibiting kindness and understanding of the challenges that everyone is facing, we will all come through this experience together.

Finally, I want to thank our RUSD community for consistently completing their daily health screenings, and for staying home when they are not feeling well. This commitment ensures we are able keep everyone healthy and our schools campuses open.

### **Have questions or comments?**

Click on the **Parent Feedback Click on the Parent Feedback Form** <https://forms.gle/za2oJqs8dHJww3LQ8>. This link provides an easy way to ask questions or make comments that will inform content of future newsletters and provide feedback on areas that are working well or not so well as we move through the current school year during the global pandemic. We will continue to use this link when things resume to "normal" in the future. 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.

Warm regards,

Nancy Lynch, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

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**PLEDGE DAY IS FRIDAY!**



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## **PLEDGE DAY E-BIKE DRAWING**

**(OR \$2,500 GIFT CARD TO MIKE'S BIKES)**



**ALL FAMILIES WHO DONATE OR PLEDGE, IN ANY  
AMOUNT, BEFORE **DECEMBER 4TH** ARE ELIGIBLE**

**PLEDGE TODAY  
HERE!**