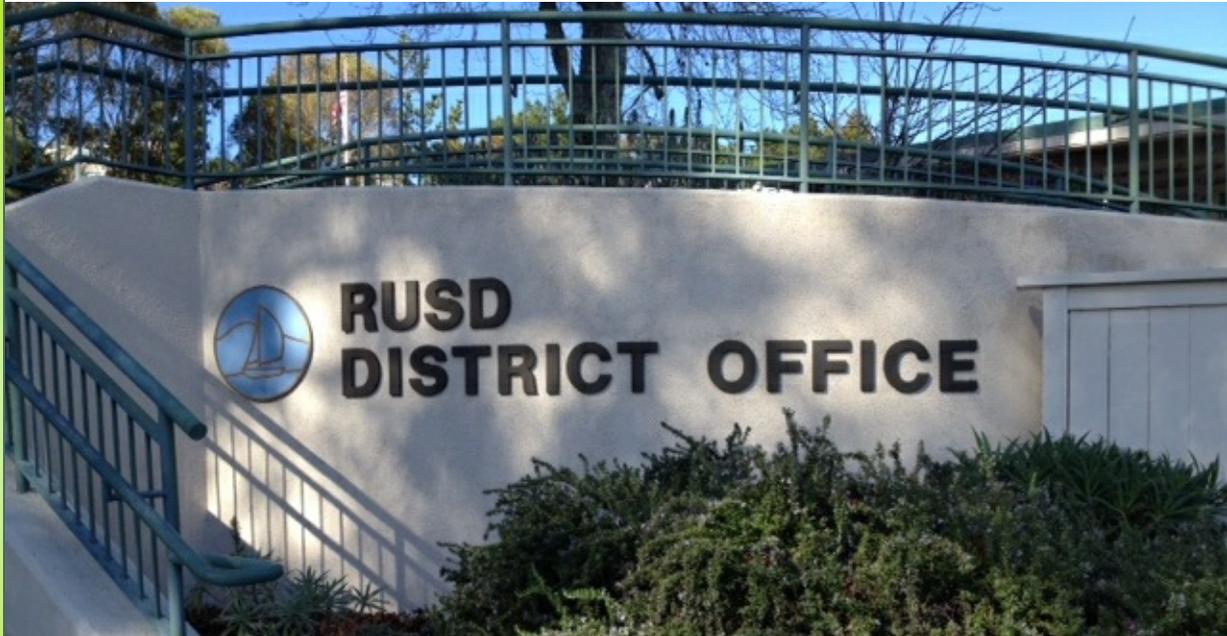


A Message From the Office of the Superintendent



At-Home Learning IMPORTANT Update from Superintendent Dr. Nancy Lynch

March 17, 2020

Dear RUSD Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you **very much** for all your efforts as we all continue to adjust to a distance learning model. We understand the many challenges this presents for our students and families, especially now as we are all required to follow the 'Shelter in Place' mandate. Please know that teachers and staff are meeting daily to make the process of distance learning meaningful and user-friendly while mindful to be equitable for **all** families. We will continue to explore best practices for distance learning and the process will continue to evolve. Families will continue to receive ongoing communication with regard to any changes or additions in procedures and protocols.

Digital Devices

The RUSD At Home K-5 website was intentionally created to be activated without any advance notice of school closure and therefore accessible using any digital device. Toward that end, lessons and activities **do not require that students have iPads.**

On Monday, before the 'Shelter in Place' was enacted, we made every effort to support families who communicated that they did not have access to a wifi-supported device, as this is the minimum requirement needed to access the RUSD AT HOME Learning Continuity website. We are receiving multiple requests for iPads. Please understand that we are not able to fulfill these requests at this time. Once again, if the plan changes, families will be notified.

At-Home Learning

While CA Ed Code requires that students are provided with 4 hours of schoolwork, we do understand that families must be granted flexibility in meeting these expectations. You may want to consider implementing "flex-hours" for school at home. Parents needing to work from home may want to consider holding "school at home" in the afternoon and evenings

Again, our sincere gratitude goes out to our RUSD families for all your efforts, flexibility, and support during this challenging time. These weeks ahead will require some grace from all of us as we navigate learning outside our classrooms and the many other changes we are experiencing. We are in this together.

Contact help@reedschools.org we'll do our best to support

Respectfully,

Nancy Lynch, Ed.D.
Superintendent

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