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Dear Runnemede Families.

This letter is to inform you of the upcoming schedule changes that will take place beginning on March 22, 2021. Students whose families chose our hybrid option will return to school four days a week, Monday through Thursday, while our remote students will continue to live stream into their respective classrooms. At this time, Fridays will remain an asynchronous learning day for all our students.

We want to be as transparent as possible with providing you our updated plan after consultation with the county health department and our school physician. With additional students in our schools, we cannot guarantee 6-foot social distancing in some classrooms. This risk of exposure also increases the risk of contracting COVID-19.

Please keep the following things in mind as we move forward with this plan:

- Our hours of operation will remain the same and we will continue to follow the safety guidelines and cleaning procedures that have been established and successfully implemented since September.
- The number of students in each of our classrooms will increase. We are currently working on setting up each room to space the students and staff as safe as possible. There will be some classrooms where students will not be spaced 6 feet apart.
- For lunchtime, students will be spaced out and separated to ensure proper social distancing while eating. This means for some of our larger classes, students will be eating in various locations inside and outside of the school (weather permitting.) For classes that allow for the 6-foot social distancing, they may remain in their classrooms to eat especially during inclement weather days.
- For our hybrid students, the expectation is that they will attend school in person for all four days unless they are
 not feeling well. It is unfair to our students and staff when hybrid students do not consistently attend in-person
 instruction.
- For our remote students, the expectation is that they are on time, working in a location with minimal distractions, and consistently participating in their class activities.
- With the increase in class sizes, when a confirmed case arises the entire class, and teacher could be required to guarantine for an extended period of time.
- The attached document provides the homeroom breakdown for each class in the district.
 - o Classroom Student Breakdown
- The decision you have made for your child will be in effect for the remainder of the current school year.
- Please see the attached correspondence from our district nurses regarding daily health screenings.
 - o Nurse Health Screening
- The plan for our schools remains fluid and any changes that are able to be planned in advance will be shared with our families as soon as possible.

We continue to appreciate your cooperation throughout this school year. Any questions please contact your child's school.

Sincerely,

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