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Dear RUSD Staff and Families,

We are marching through the month of January at a very quick pace! We hope that 2021 has been positive so far. We invite you to read the following update and announcements. If you have questions, please feel free to reach out to me at colson@my.rescueusd.org.

- 1. **RUSD COVID case update for January 10-13:** 2 students at Jackson tested positive, but they have not been in school since Christmas, so no one could have been exposed. 1 student at Lakeview has tested positive, but this individual has not been at school since vacation either, so no one has been exposed. Lake Forest has two students who have tested positive, but they have not been in school since January 4, so according to public health and our nursing staff, no one needs to quarantine. The two cohorts involved have been notified with a separate email. Pleasant Grove has one student who is presumed positive, with 1 staff member and 1 student being quarantined for being considered a close contact to the individual. Lastly, Marina Village has one positive case also, but again, this student has not been at school since vacation, so no one has been exposed.
- 2. January 12 was the RUSD Study Session for the month of January. The Board of Trustees determined that we will move forward with the plan to enter Phase 2 on Monday, January 25th. Hybrid students will attend school in an early release schedule from January 25 through February 28. This means that elementary students will be in school from 8:55 am until 2:10. Middle school students will be in school from 8:00 am until 12:45. Middle school students will receive a bag lunch before dismissal to eat at home. We have chosen this option for our middle schools to avoid large cohorts of students being close together in one room during lunch. Middle school students will attend all their classes in the morning before dismissal. Additionally, if your child has not yet ridden a bus to school this year, and you would like to take advantage of this opportunity starting January 25, please fill out the bus application online.
- 3. Frontier will continue for the remainder of the school year. If families are interested in changing programs before the end of the year there will be an opportunity to do so at the start of trimester 3, which is March 1. The programs are quite full, so movement may or may not be possible. If you are interested, you need to contact your school office to be put on the waitlist.
- 4. Vaccinations are now available for our teachers and staff members. Many have already signed up to receive the vaccine. This will help us further mitigate the risk of the virus.

Thank you for your continued support and help. We appreciate our families and staff very much. Have a wonderful rest of your week.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Olson