



**August 21, 2020**

**Dear Rogers' Families,**

We can't wait to welcome students to our building next week! This week we distributed iPads to our K-2 students, and a Chrome Book to 3 – 5 students. If you did not pick up your child's device, please be sure to call or Dojo message your child's teacher to let them know. They will set up a date and time for you to pick up the iPad or Chrome Book.

**August 24 – 28: This week students will come to school for ONE 2 ½ hour block to meet their teacher and see their classroom. Teachers will also conduct math and reading assessments to determine best instruction for your child.** These will be small groups of 4 – 7 students. Children should bring a water bottle and their device (iPad or Chrome Book). They will receive additional instruction about how to access learning materials on their device when they are working from home. **This will occur ONE DAY this week from either 8:00 – 10:30 a.m. or 12:00 – 2:30 p.m.** Teachers have called parents to let you know the day and time your child will be coming to school. **Bus service will be provided.** The normal pick-up schedule to all stops will be in place for students attending the 8:00 – 10:30 block. For the second block, 12:00 – 2:30 p.m., transportation will pick up at all normal stops 4 hours later than the normal schedule and depart school at 2:30 p.m. for the return home.

**Meals:** Food & Nutrition Services, to meet the needs of families, will provide a Monday – Friday lunch time **drive up "Grab N Go"** (usually in the Kiss & Drop area at the front of the building) meal service option for students **who are not in attendance at school. This will be from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. each day beginning August 31<sup>st</sup>.**

The curbside "Grab N Go" service is a sack meal that will include student favorites. Entrées will be **sent cold for food safety**; however, cooking instructions will be provided when appropriate. Breakfast sack meals may be picked up at the same time as lunch. Parents and Guardians are permitted to pick up meals for their students, as the USDA requirement for students to obtain the meal has been waived.

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There are important regulations and procedures that must be followed to provide this service:

- Meal service is for District 11 K-12<sup>th</sup> grade students only
- Student name is required to obtain a meal
- All student meals may be picked up at one school location even if different D11 schools involved
- **Meal price is based on student status of Free, Reduced, and Full Pay**
- K-12<sup>th</sup> grade Reduced status students receive free breakfast and lunch
- Place money on student's account via MySchoolBucks - [www.d11.org](http://www.d11.org) **No cash at Grab N Go site**
- Questions – call FNS Office at 520-2924

**During assessment week (8/24 – 28)** students attending from 8:00 – 10:30 will receive a free breakfast. Lunch will be served for those attending from 12:00 – 2:30. The in-person groups attending on Tuesdays and Thursdays (beginning 9/1) will receive a free breakfast. Lunch will also be served. **Lunch prices are based on student status of Free, Reduced, and Full Pay. Students may also bring a cold lunch from home.**

**Parents wanting to be qualified for the Free or Reduced lunches must complete a form each year. This form can be found on the Rogers' website: [d11.org/rogers](http://d11.org/rogers).**

**Remote Learning (Working from Home) begins this week (8/24 – 28).** Students should log on to Schoology on their device to begin working on assignments. Teachers will provide videos to give students instructions on what must be done.

**August 31** – Will Rogers Preschool begins this week. Welcome to our new students! Preschooler will all be loaned an iPad. Distribution will be in September.

**August 31 – September 4:** Remote learning continues. **Teachers will provide a daily schedule for students to follow.**

In addition to students working at home, **this is the week some small groups of students will start coming to Rogers for additional support.** Your child's teacher will contact you if your child has been identified for this in-person learning. These small groups (Special Education, Gifted and Talented, Reading, and English Language Learners) will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 8:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. Next week you will receive a schedule of instruction for these mornings.

**Bus service will be provided on Tuesdays and Thursdays for these small groups. Elementary routes will run the normal pick-up schedule to all stops. Rogers students will arrive at school at 8:15 a.m. and leave at 11:45 a.m.**

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Students will continue to follow this schedule of working from home, with some small groups receiving in-person learning, through the first quarter of the school year. This quarter ends on October 15, 2020.

Attendance: Teachers will be taking attendance each day by 4:00 p.m. When students log on to a live WebEx session with a teachers or they complete work on their device in Schoology, they will be marked “present”. If your child will be completing work outside the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., please let the teacher know. She will be sure to work out a system that accurately shows your child’s attendance. If your child is ill and cannot work or will not be attending in-person learning on Tuesday or Thursday, please call the front desk to excuse them (719-328-3300).

**I hope you all are well! Please let us know if you have any question about the Distance Learning plan. We look forward to partnering with all families to support children in the best possible way. Please do not hesitate to email or call with questions, comments, or concerns.**

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