January 14, 2020

Dear Students, Staff, and Parents,

We were excited to have 4K-8 students back in-person this past week and we look forward to getting grades 9-12 back in the building on Tuesday, January 19, 2021. The following includes a lot of new information and also various reminders. If you have any questions please feel free to contact your building principal.

The following positive cases of COVID-19 has been reported to the SDNR during the week of January 11, 2021. The following case summaries include:

- 3rd Grade (Starr) – 2 positive cases
- 4th Grade (Hillside) – 1 positive case
- 5th Grade (Starr) – 1 positive case
- 6th Grade – 1 positive case
- 10th Grade – 3 positive cases
- 11th Grade – 1 positive case
- Staff – 1 positive case
The District continues to clean and disinfect the buildings to control the spread of illness. The [SDNR COVID-19 school-based exclusion flow chart](#) is being followed. The students and staff members who interacted closely with these individuals have been contacted by SDNR staff if deemed a close contact. A close contact is defined as interaction of less than six feet for a cumulative time of more than 15 minutes in a 24-hour period. The individuals who tested positive will be excluded from school and activities until they have been determined to be no longer infectious by the SDNR and local health department. Close contacts, determined by local health departments and District staff, will be excluded from school and activities for the timeline given by the SDNR and may be monitored for symptoms by the local health department.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) is a virus that is spread even before individuals show symptoms. It spreads from person to person through droplets created when we cough, sneeze, talk, sing or laugh. Thus, it is ever important for all students, family members, and staff members to closely monitor for symptoms that are outside of their “normal,” and to stay home if they are ill. If symptoms occur, please contact your medical provider to request testing.

**Please remember to slow the spread of COVID-19:**
- Stay home when ill.
- Wear a face covering when in public if physically able.
- Wash hands frequently with soap and water. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water are unavailable.
- Clean frequently touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, tables, etc.
- Limit unnecessary travel, events, or large gatherings.

**SDNR Weekly Update, Current Learning Model, Recent Communications**

- No School for 4K-12 Students on Friday - January 15, 2021 for a SDNR Staff Professional Learning Day ([Calendar Change](#))
- No School for 4K-12 Students on Monday – January 18, 2021 for a SDNR Professional Learning Day as originally planned
- New Richmond High School Students ( Grades 9-12) will return back to full time in-person learning starting on Tuesday, January 19, 2021
- All extra-curricular activities will continue as planned based on COVID-19 protocols and mitigation strategies
- Wednesday’s will continue to be late starts for all levels
- If your student is under quarantine as a close contact or isolation for being COVID-19 positive at the beginning of in-person learning, please send us a copy of the positive test results or close contact notification from the county as soon as possible. These can be emailed to nicole.wocelka@newrichmond.k12.wi.us as soon as possible

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- [WIAA and SDNR Medical COVID-19 Clearance Information (12-11-20)](#)
- [SDNR COVID-19 School Based Exclusion (12-15-20)](#)
- [SDNR Tiger Launch Plan Update (Students and Parents) 12-22-20](#)
- [SDNR COVID-19 Positive Case Weekly Update and Current Learning Model (1-3-21)](#)
- [SDNR Tiger Launch Plan Update (Students and Parents) 1-6-21](#)
- NRMS Re-Start Letter from Mr. Hatch
- NRHS Re-Start Letter from Mr. Wissink

**Emergency/Inclement Weather Procedures**

- [SDNR Winter Weather Procedures 2020-21 (Parents)](#)

**SDNR Calendar Updates and Approval by the SDNR Board of Education (12-22-20)**

- [SDNR 2020-21 Calendar (Revised 12-22-20)](#)
- [SDNR 2021-2022 Calendar (Approved 12-22-20)](#)
Beginning with contests on Monday, January 18, 2021, the following adjustments will be made to limits for spectators at Middle Border Conference Schools:

- **Amery, Baldwin-Woodville, New Richmond, Osceola, SCC, Somerset**
  - Basketball (Varsity & JV): 4 passes per home player 2 passes per away player
  - Basketball (C Team): 2 passes per home player 0 passes per away player
  - Hockey (Varsity & JV): 4 passes per home player 2 passes per away player
  - Wrestling: Determined by host site for final week of regular season contests.

- **Middle School Sports:**
  - 2 passes per home player 0 passes per away player

Prescott will remain home fans only and will be reviewing for potential changes in the future.

Ellsworth will remain home fans only and will be reviewing for potential changes in the future.

**Spectators are to present their school issued pass to be admitted into the contest. Spectators must have their pass.**

**Spectators are to attend games in which their child is playing.**

- Example: JV and C parents should be exiting the facility after the conclusion of their child’s game.
- Example: Varsity parents should arrive and attend only the varsity game.
Middle Border Conference Passes: Will not be accepted for visiting fans.

Students: Students must have a ticket from a participating player to attend an event. Each district may have additional guidelines for students in attendance at the game.

Masks: Masks are expected to be worn by all in attendance.

Live Streams: MBC Live Stream Links

COVID-19 Vaccinations

- SCCPH COVID-19 Vaccine Notification Request
  - St. Croix County Public Health will be administering COVID-19 vaccines. The Wisconsin State Disaster Medical Advisory Committee determines the order in which groups of people receive the vaccine. Vaccines will be available to every resident of St. Croix County who wants one and will take place over the course of three phases. People at highest risk of getting COVID-19 will receive the vaccine first. If you would like to be placed on a list to receive notifications of when vaccines are available for your priority group, please complete this form. You will be notified by our automated messaging system when the vaccine becomes available for your group. If you are unsure which priority group you belong within, please review information found at: https://sccwi.gov/982/COVID-19-Vaccine. Note: 1/8/21: Children have only recently been included in COVID-19 vaccine trials, and it is unclear when children aged younger than 16 years will have access to a vaccine.
  - Click HERE for a graphic that helps outline the timeline associated with this process provided by SCCPH.
  - Wisconsin COVID-19 Vaccination Guide
  - COVID-19: Vaccine
  - COVID-19 Vaccination FAQ

Thank you, Educators

- Message from State Superintendent Carolyn Stanford Taylor

Thank you for your patience and support as we navigate our way through the current pandemic challenges. We continue to monitor and make appropriate changes as needed at all levels. We need your help to avoid gatherings, wash your hands, and wear your mask.

Respectfully,

Patrick B. Olson
District Administrator