

Friday Update, October 2, 2020

Good evening Sulphur Springs Families, this is Dr. Catherine Kawaguchi, your Superintendent with your Friday Update, October 2, 2020.

I wanted to inform our families that we are postponing school photos at this time. We know the importance of having our children take their school photos each year, however, the Department of Health is asking school districts to postpone this, and revisit this as an option for the springtime.

This past week, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors passed a motion to open the school waiver program for in-person instruction for grades TK-2. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health is expected to release the waivers this coming week for school districts to review the application process and apply. Districts were told that LA County Department of Public Health will begin accepting applications in early October for 30 schools per week and prioritize the issuance of waivers to schools with higher percentages of students qualified for free/reduced meals. Once the waivers are released, I will be reviewing the application and work with our teachers, support staff, Parent Advisory Committee, and Board of Trustees to discuss the application process and next steps. Please remember, at this time, we do not have a date to reopen for TK-2 since we have not seen and/or applied for the waiver as of yet.

The District has started the process to prepare for small cohorts of students to return for in-person, targeted, specialized instructional support. As the District is preparing to bring back students for these very targeted instructional programs, all schools are maintaining a focus on health and safety. All schools have their Reopening Safety Protocols in place and all staff have access to protective personal equipment. In addition, all cleaning and disinfectant protocols are in place at all schools.

It is very important that when students are returning to schools for in-person targeted instructional support and/or are being assessed for English Learner support or special education services, that all families are completing the Health Screening Survey that is located in the Parent Square App for their child. Please see below the directions for completing this process:



COVID-19 Health Screening Form

Quickly complete daily health checks from your phone or the web

In order to streamline daily health check processes and reduce the spread of COVID-19 within the school and larger community, your school is launching ParentSquare's easy-to-use health reporting form for employees and students.

How to Submit a Screening:

1. You must be logged into ParentSquare to access the screening form. Activate your ParentSquare account by clicking the link in your invitation email or text. You can also download the free ParentSquare app for iOS or Android.
2. Once logged in on the web or mobile app, click the large orange "Submit Daily Screening" button to access the form.
3. Complete the form by answering "Yes" or "No" to all questions and providing a temperature reading (if required by your school).



4. After submitting the form, you'll be able to view a confirmation screen that will clear your student for on-campus learning if non-symptomatic.



Questions?

Visit ParentSquare's help articles (under the ? icon once logged in) or contact your school office.

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend. Thank you.