

Friday Update, October 30, 2020

Good evening Sulphur Springs Families, this is Dr. Catherine Kawaguchi, your Superintendent with your Friday Update, October 30, 2020.

The District has submitted applications for our students in grades TK-2 to return to school. It is important to know that even though the State has set guidelines that cohort size of students cannot exceed 14 at this time, LA County Department of Public Health has set guidelines that cohort size of students cannot exceed 12 students. In order for our District to bring back our TK-2 students, we need the cohort size to increase to 13, since our TK-2nd grade classrooms are comprised of 26 students. I have advocated for our District to the Supervisor's Office about the need to allow our District to be at the guidelines set by the State instead of LA County Department of Public Health. I will continue to keep you updated to see if LA County Department of Public Health will adjust its cohort size from 12 to 14 to match the State's requirement.

I wanted you to also know that we are in the middle of having site visits from the Department of Public Health, and we have done extremely well with the inspections. Public Health has been very supportive and complimentary of all the hard work that our Staff have done to put in health and safety measures at each of our schools. I want to also thank our families for your support with feedback that we have received from our Safety Task Force and Parent Advisory Committee. I have taken the time to share updates with these two committees, and we have appreciated all the feedback and support.

This past week, you should have received an email from Peachjar, which is a company that is supporting our District with making sure that flyers from outside communities advertising their activities are still being able to be sent home electronically. All of the flyers being digitally sent home have been approved by my office. You will be able to view the flyers through email by clicking on the Peachjar button. I have attached to this email the information that was sent out by Peachjar explaining this new flyer distribution process.

Families, thank you so much for your continued support, and for all that you are doing to support and ensure your child is engaged daily for learning. Have a wonderful weekend.