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Dear Students, Parents and Guardians of Elementary/Middle Hybrid Students: Cohort A and Cohort B and RHS students,

Due to the increase in COVID-19 cases in our County, and mitigating through possible family and social gatherings during the Thanksgiving Holidays, the Dickenson County School Board voted to transition all Dickenson County Schools to 100% Remote beginning on Monday, Nov. 23 – Friday, Dec. 4, 2020. The current proposed plan is for students to return to the Hybrid schedule on Monday, Dec. 7, 2020 after consultation with the Virginia Health Department and a review of the Health Metric Data for our county and region.

At school, your child has participated in Google Meets and has practiced logging into Chromebooks and into Google so that they are familiar with the process. It is essential that your child participate in the instruction and complete the required classwork virtually

For Ridgeview High Schools Students: There are no changes in their instructional schedule.

On Monday, Nov. 23rd and Tuesday 24th, your Cohort A child, will be required to login on the Chromebook to Google Class/Google Meet at 8:15 a.m. Your child will have “live” interaction and instruction from his/her teacher(s) throughout the instructional day. It is very important that your child login for each class during the day so that he/she can be counted present. Their instructional 100% remote schedule will be the same instructional face-to-face schedule as their Monday-Tuesday schedule. It is also very important that your child participate in the Google Classroom/Google Meet events with their teacher(s) and other students so that he/she will not fall farther behind academically.

On Monday, Nov 23rd and Tuesday, Nov. 24th, your Cohort B child will be participating in virtual instructional and assignments as regularly scheduled.

On Wednesday, Nov. 25 through Friday, Nov. 27, 2020, all schools will be closed to celebrate the Thanksgiving Holidays.

On Monday, Nov. 30 and Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2020, Cohort A children will again have “live” instruction on Google Meet and Google Classroom which is the same virtual instructional schedule that they follow on Monday and Tuesday in face-to-face instruction. Cohort A students will login on Monday and Tuesday at 8:15 and have different classes and subjects taught during the day.

Cohort A will then receive virtual instruction for Wednesday – Friday, Dec. 2 – Dec. 4, 2020 as regularly scheduled.

On Thursday, Dec. 3rd and Friday, Dec. 4th, Cohort B children will login at 8:15 a.m. and will have “live” interaction and instruction with their Hybrid teacher. Again, it is very important that your child login for each class/subject during the day, so your child is counted present. Participation in the instruction and completion of work will determine the 2nd mid-nine weeks grade for your child.

On Friday, Dec. 4, 2020 your Cohort B child will receive virtual instruction for Monday, Dec. 7th – Dec. 9th as in their regular schedule. Our goal is to have all Hybrid students return the week of Dec. 7th: Cohort A return on Monday, Dec. 7th and Cohort B return on Thursday, Dec. 10th if the Health Metrics for COVID cases supports the decision.

For our families that have little to no Internet availability, the school division in conjunction with each school is working on a process to deliver flash drives and learning modules to your child.

If you have any questions, please contact your child’s school or the Dickenson County School Board Office at 276-926-4643.

According to the projected Health Metrics, the next six to eight weeks will be critical as we deal with COVID-19. We continue to be committed to the health and safety of our children and staff while providing a quality instructional program, both hybrid and 100% remote.

We wish you and your family a safe and blessed Thanksgiving Holidays! Thank you for partnering with us on this commitment for the sake of all our children and staff.

With warm regards,

Haydee L. Robinson,

Division Superintendent