

The Weekly Warrior

July 31, 2020

RMSD Update

Dr. Bickert
Superintendent

As we approach the “regular” (I can’t type the word “normal”) start of our school year next week, so much is still unknown. I begin this space with the same disclaimer: everything is subject to change and more information is still to be determined and forthcoming. Superintendents will be provided an update Monday.

What We Know

Calendar: At Tuesday night’s Special Board Meeting, the Board approved a combination of the two proposed calendars (Option 3) and this calendar has already been sent to staff and is also included with this posting.

Thursday: This Thursday (August 6, 2020) is Day 1 for all new and returning staff. Staff will NOT be required to be on-site on Thursday (or during the duration of online/remote activities). A memo regarding the optionality of working remotely will be sent to staff by principals/supervisors on Monday afternoon.

Salaries: The requirement from the Legislature is for Districts to provide “an average of a 1% salary increase to all educational employees,” (excluding administrators). Salaries are part of collective bargaining and the next scheduled sessions between the District and REA are on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

What We Know (continued)

Pre-K/Special Education students: Are currently allowed to return to in-person learning before September 8th, but only in a 5 to 1 student-to-adult ratio.

Food Services: We will continue providing meals and to date, we have provided over 86,000 meals!

Building Safety: IF, you will be coming to a building for either professional development or online instruction/communication, you will be required to: have your temperature checked, answer some health questions, and wear a face shield/mask. These will be provided, if you don’t have your own. Once in the building, you will be required to practice social distancing to the greatest extent possible.

Availability: Your building principal/supervisor and I are available by email and phone (my office line is 630-7010) to answer any questions you may have.

What We Don’t Know

Calendar: Based on current information, our calendar should be considered “flexible” and subject to additional changes via guidance from PED or DOH.

Pre-K/Special Education students: How we can appropriately schedule and deliver services to our students at this time.

Transition: How we will transition from remote/online only to hybrid for primary/elementary on September 8th and for middle/high on October 13th.

Student continuing enrollment: How many of our students/families will be with us for Warrior Online Academy beginning August 19th.

Thank you

I would like to thank each and every person who supported the re-opening efforts of our District. We will always be successful when we keep our students first! THANK YOU!

Dr. Bickert

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 19th : Remote Learning begins
Hybrid tentatively begins: K – 5th (Sept. 8th); 6th – 12th (Oct. 13th)



RMSD 2020-21 Calendar

Ruidoso Municipal School District

Calendar 2020-21

Approved by the RMSD Board of Education on July 28, 2020

July					August					September						
M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F		
		1	2	3	3	4	5	6	7	Aug. 6 - In-service/PD		1	2	3	4	Online Learning
6	7	8	9	10	10	11	12	13	14	Aug. 7 - Workday	7	8	9	10	11	Sep. 7 - Labor Day
13	14	15	16	17	17	18	19	20	21	Aug. 10 - 18-PD	14	15	16	17	18	Sep. 8 - SVP-WME begin Hybrid
20	21	22	23	24	24	25	26	27	28	Aug. 19 - Online Learning	21	22	23	24	25	
27	28	29	30	31	31						28	29	30			
					18 staff days					21 staff days						

October					November					December									
M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F					
			1	2	2	3	4	5	6	Online Learning		1	2	3	4				
5	6	7	8	9	9	10	11	12	13	Oct. 9 - End of 1st grading period	7	8	9	10	11				
12	13	14	15	16	16	17	18	19	20	Oct. 12 - Indigenous People's Day	14	15	16	17	18	Dec. 18 - End of 1st Semester			
19	20	21	22	23	23	24	25	26	27	Oct. 13-RMS-RHS begin Hybrid	21	22	23	24	25	Dec. 21- Jan. - Winter Break			
26	27	28	29	30	30					Nov. 23-27 - Thanksgiving	28	29	30	31					
					21 staff days					16 staff days					14 staff days				
															90 staff days				

January					February					March									
M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F					
				1	1	2	3	4	5	Jan. 1-3 Winter Break Continued	1	2	3	4	5				
4	5	6	7	8	8	9	10	11	12	Jan. 4 - Workday	8	9	10	11	12	Mar. 12 - End of 3rd grading period			
11	12	13	14	15	15	16	17	18	19	Jan 5 - In-service/PD	15	16	17	18	19				
18	19	20	21	22	22	23	24	25	26	Jan. 6 - Students Return	22	23	24	25	26	Mar 22- 26 - Spring Break			
25	26	27	28	29						Jan. 18 - MLK Day	29	30	31						
					19 staff days					19 staff days					18 staff days				

April					May					June									
M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F					
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Apr. 2 - School Holiday		1	2	3	4	SVP/WME/RMS/RHS-ELTP-1st-4th			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		7	8	9	10	11	SVP/WME/RMS/RHS-ELTP-7th-10th			
12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	May 21 - Last day of school	14	15	16	17	18	SVP/WME/RMS/RHS-ELTP-14th-17th			
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		21	22	23	24	25				
26	27	28	29	30	31					May 31 - Memorial Day	28	29	30						
					21 staff days					15 staff days									
															92 staff days				
															Total Staff Days (182)				