



NEW BRAUNFELS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Randy Moczygamba
Superintendent of Schools

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Dear New Braunfels ISD Family,

As you are well aware, our teaching and learning environment endured the greatest change in the history of public education three weeks ago. Our student norms went away and, in their place, we have online teaching and learning, curbside meals and limited social interaction.

As Superintendent of NBISD, I am extremely proud of our faculty and staff, our students and our parents. Through all of our efforts, we were able to resume the education of our students within the first week of closure. Our Curriculum and Instruction Department, in conjunction with principals, developed a modified block schedule for all grade levels that was implemented on the second week of closure to better facilitate our teachers and our students.

Our teachers are providing amazing educational opportunities for our students. Their training and background in problem-based learning allowed them to begin serving your children in a very short period of time. Our Special Education Department and teachers have stepped up to meet State and Federal guidelines in continuing to serve the needs of the students.

We also began serving curbside meals on day two of the closure. We are now serving approximately 2,000 meals per day to our students. Our Child Nutrition staff have put in many hours each day and they are so positive about what they are doing. Our Transportation Department has stepped in to assist with meal deliveries on a daily basis and our School Resource Officers have been on-site to help direct vehicles.

Our Maintenance and Custodial staff started deep cleaning and sanitization of our buildings on March 17 and completed that process on March 24. They continue to monitor our facilities daily to ensure that all systems are operating as they should be. They will do another sanitization of the buildings prior to the return of students and staff.

Our Student Service Department along with campus staff continues to enroll new students. Our Business Department is working diligently to develop our budget for 2020-2021 as well as wrap up the 2019-2020 budget cycle. Human Resources and principals are attending online job fairs to recruit and hire new teachers for the upcoming year. Interviews are being conducted through online platforms.

Our Technology Department facilitated the pickup of more than 5,000 iPads and they continue to offer technical support to teachers and staff, students and parents. They have also assisted in setting up many of the online platforms for teaching and learning.

Our Communication Department continues to assist me in putting out communications to faculty and staff and parents on a regular basis.

Your children have been amazing at adapting to their new learning environment. Your support of your children has also been amazing. We know that there are challenges, but we will continue to provide support where it is needed. “It takes a Village to Educate a Child,” and you are a very important part of that village and even more so in these times.

Our Technology Department will continue to maintain a technical support helpdesk at 830-643-5752. Our campus and district main phone lines are being answered Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Teachers are monitoring their school voicemail and e-mail daily to assist you.

The Governor’s Executive Order extended all school temporary closures until May 4, 2020. We will continue to work with local and state officials to keep you updated on any changes as they may occur. It is our goal to make decisions about extensions of the closure at least a week or more ahead of time to assist you in your personal planning.

The most important message from our Governmental Entities and NBISD is, “STAY HOME, STAY SAFE”. With the number of COVID-19 cases increasing in both Comal and Guadalupe Counties, it is imperative that you limit your travel to only essential needs. Please make sure that your children also observe these orders. Our NBISD families’ health and safety are our number one priority.

#StayHomeUnicorns

Thank you,
Randy Moczygemba
Superintendent of Schools