

September 1, 2020

Dear Parents of the Lyndhurst Community Grades K-2,

I am hopeful that this letter finds you and your families safe and well during these difficult times. As you all know, our students will be taught virtually from home beginning September 14, 2020, until October 16, 2020. Please be assured that we are here for you with any questions or concerns. Different situations will occur amongst each family, so let us know any challenges you or your child experience. We are saddened by the fact that this school year is not beginning as we had done for so many years in the past, but soon enough, we are hopeful that all of the students can be back in the classrooms with their teachers and their friends.

Virtual learning will begin on Monday, September 14, 2020. Teachers are required to implement interactive learning (Zoom) three times throughout the day; a Morning Meeting, a Closing Circle, and one academic period of their choice. Specials (Gym, Spanish, Art, and Music) will also be live. Attached is a sample time schedule. **Please be reminded that attendance will be taken daily during the students' Morning Meeting (Zoom).**

Each student will be provided a device for their individual learning. Device distribution will take place Thursday, September 10, 2020, during our "Meet and Greet." Kindergarten and First Grade Students will be receiving iPads, and Second Grade students will be receiving Chrome Books. Although it is our hope that all devices will be prepared for distribution, at this time, we have not received our Chrome Book delivery. All staff will be present to introduce themselves to families and provide students with any pertinent information or supplies needed to start school on September 14th. Please look on the back of this notice for additional details.

All students have been assigned an email address. Please follow the steps in the "Remote Learning Guide" located on the district website to access your child's email.

If you need to contact the staff for any reason, please reach out to them via email, and they will respond back no later than the next school day. The school offices will be opened each school day should any questions arise. Working together will allow for a smooth virtual/remote start to the school year.

I am looking forward to the new year. Enjoy the remaining days of your summer vacation.

Warm Regards,

Robert V. Giangeruso

Principal, Columbus School