



Kahlotus School District No. 056

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August 10, 2020

Dear Kahlotus Students, Families and Community members,

Last Thursday, August 6, 2020 at 7:00pm our School Board gathered for a special board meeting to decide on how we will open our schools to our community. Our board decided unanimously (four board members in attendance) to open our district for a regular in person schedule. Our first day with students is August 31st, 2020. Our board also recognized that we will have families that will opt to have their children in an At-Home Distance Learning Program. We will be prepared to fulfil that option for families.

Therefore, for all students and families coming for an In-person program on campus, please know that there are some non-negotiables that must be complied with in order to assist us to maintain a healthy and a safe campus for everyone. These non-negotiables are:

All students and families on campus (this includes our buses as well) fully agree and commit to; **social distancing of 6 feet** for all children and adults at all times, and all children and adults **will wear a face mask or a face shield** at all times while at school. All students and adults will adhere to and support the **screening of temperature twice per day** (children's temperature will be taken before school for walkers and upon boarding the bus as well as at mid-day). All students and families on campus will adhere to a **strict schedule for hygiene and hand washing** with soap and water every day while on campus. Lastly, upon receiving a call from our district, families commit to immediately come and pick up their children in situations where we may suspect a high fever of other symptoms of COVID-19. This applies to all of our staff as well.

COVID-19 symptoms known are:

Fever (100.4°F) or chills

Cough

Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Unusual fatigue

Muscle or body aches

Headache

Recent loss of taste or smell

Sore throat

Congestion or runny nose

Nausea or vomiting

Diarrhea



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In addition, we will be asking the following questions as appropriate by the age level of students. We will ask families and staff if we have a reasonable need to ask such questions to help us understand situations better. This will be super important for us to make the very best decisions on a case by case level.

Have you been in close contact with anyone with confirmed COVID-19?

Have you had a positive COVID-19 test for active virus in the past 10 days?

Within the past 14 days, has a public health or medical professional told you to self-monitor, self-isolate, or self-quarantine because of concerns about COVID-19 infection?

Thank you so much in advance for your cooperation and for your understanding. In order for us to keep an open campus that is safe and healthy for everyone, **we need all of you to assist us** in any way possible. Please work with your children at home (children who will be on campus or in our buses for a regular program), and teach them the importance of complying with all safety and protocols as outlined in this communication letter.

With anticipation and care,

Jose de Jesus Melendez, Ed.S
Kahlotus District Superintendent



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Please return this form with your student by September 1st, 2020

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I (parent/guardian) _____ am aware of the risk factors under the current COVID-19 Pandemic. Should the Kahlotus School District staff inform me that my child is showing the possible symptoms of COVID-19 as listed below, I will immediately pick up my child and he/she will transition to the At-Home Distance Learning Program for up to 10 days, unless cleared by a medical provider.

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- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian of the following Students:

Student Name:

Grade:
