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Independent School District 2358

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January 3, 2021

Dear Tri-County families,

This alert is being sent simply as a reminder of our learning plans for the next two weeks. This is the same information that was sent out on December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

First of all, I hope everyone has enjoyed a safe and healthy Christmas holiday and New Years break.

The Decision Team decided that tomorrow, Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, grades PreK-3 will return as they have been Monday-Thursday with grades 4-12 remaining in Distance Learning for that week. All grades will Distance Learn on Friday. The following Monday, January 11, ALL GRADES will return to in-person learning Monday – Thursday. Again, Fridays will be Distance Learning for all. The reason Fridays will remain Distance Learning is in response to Governor Walz' Executive Order 20-94 that mandates teacher preparation time for Distance Learners. Also, the reason for the January 11 return for grades 4-12 is in response to Public Health recommendations in regards to one incubation period elapsing.

We are asking that families please continue to do the great job they have been of keeping sick students at home, wearing face coverings, and social distancing when possible. Your help in following these practices will help keep our students in school.

Please don't hesitate to contact the District Office at 218-436-2261 if you have any questions. A reminder will be sent again next week to remind families of the return for all students starting January 11th.

We are very excited to have all students back very soon!

Thank you.