



Dear NRHEG Elementary Families,

Good Afternoon! Our elementary students have successfully completed the first two months of school. They have been troopers and are doing well adjusting to the District's and MDE/MDH's protocols that are in place. Our students know the routines and expectations as related to social distancing, entering our building and sanitizing. Our school staff have been amazing as they daily support our students with our expectations, routines and on top of that, their learning!

The elementary school continues to teach in the Hybrid Learning Model and I am confident that the safety measures and routines that we have in place for students and staff have allowed us to remain in this model. Our staff continues to be diligent in social distancing, the cleaning of desks and classrooms and monitoring the health of their students as they teach all of the Group A, Group B and Distance Learners.

I am fully aware that there are districts in neighboring communities that are in the Hybrid Learning Model who do have some, or all, of their students attending every day, in person. The *Learning Model Planning Committee*, who has been meeting regularly since June, looked at the possibility of bringing back all students this summer. However, due to space limitations at the elementary we were unable to configure a plan that would allow for all students to be in the building while adhering to the required protocol distancing requirements for the Hybrid Learning Model. We were able to take what space was available to us and develop a plan, with our current staffing, that allows us to have our youngest learners, our Bridges' and Kindergarten students in person, each day. The *Planning Committee* continues to meet and address items that present themselves with our current model. A special thank you goes out to those Committee members which include Kathy Meyer, Sara Ihrke, Dena Summer and Wendy Schultz. They have spent a great deal of time planning for the successful opening of school and they continue to meet as we complete our first two months of the Hybrid Learning Model.

Our goal, and hope, is that we will be able to move to the In-Person Learning Model. You can also help with that goal as you, too, continue to follow the mandates and protocols presented by the Minnesota Department of Health. Thank you! Mr. Anderson



Parent Teacher Conferences

Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for the evenings of Tuesday, November 17 and Thursday, November 19, from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Teachers sent home information at the end of this week regarding conferences and sign up information. Please take advantage of this opportunity to meet with your child's teacher!

Scholastic Book Fair Starts Soon!

You're invited to shop our Scholastic Book Fair online from **November 9th thru 22nd**! All purchases benefit our school and connect kids with new books, favorite characters, complete series, and more.

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Upcoming Dates

- November 4 Two-Hour Early Dismissal 1:00 p.m.
- November 5-6 Picture Retake Days
- November 11 End of Quarter 1
- November 12 No School-Teacher Planning
- November 13 No School-Teacher Work Day
- November 17 Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 p.m.
- November 19 Virtual Parent-Teacher Conferences 4:00-8:00 p.m.
- November 26 No School-Thanksgiving Break
- November 27 No School-Thanksgiving Break

