August 18, 2020

Dear Keene Families,

On behalf of the Keene Elementary teachers, support staff, and administration, we want to extend a warm welcome and let you know how excited we are to start the 2020-2021 school year. Our school days will be full of opportunities for each student to feel connected, challenged, and supported. Moreover, as a building team, we strive to do all we can to help each student reach their greatest potential.

This letter provides some preliminary details to get you and your student ready for online learning. Additional information will be sent to you from your child’s teachers and/or posted on the internet, see Information section.

- The new school year will begin on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 and will begin in a remote learning format through October 16th. October 12th, the District and Board of Education will Review Options for the Next Phase of Learning.

- Staff in the Christina School District will be expected to provide a mix of live and pre-recorded lessons. Teachers will also hold office hours to ensure students who need additional support are provided the opportunity for one-on-one instruction and coaching. Teachers will take attendance, assign daily lessons, and post grades for all students based on performance.

- Students in the Christina School District will be expected to be online during specific times of the learning day. If this is not possible, all live lessons will be recorded and posted for view at another time. Students are expected to attend class, engage in the learning, and submit all assignments as assigned within the allotted time frame.

- Families in the Christina School district can expect to have their child engaged in meaningful learning activities throughout remote learning. Families can expect instructional and non-instructional staff to provide academic, social, and emotional support for their student(s).

- Students in the Christina School District are encouraged to connect with their building principal if they have barriers to participating in live online instruction and/or completing assignments via our Learning Management System, Schoology.
Teacher Information: Available on Home Access Center. Please email Kylee.hamilton@christina.k12.de.us if you need assistance accessing the site.

Student Supplies: Supply lists are on the Keene website. Please note, these lists are for when we return to the school. We are currently creating virtual learning bags for all students with the hope of filling them with the needed supplies during virtual learning.

Technology: Please email Mrs. Buchanan at Heather.buchanan@christina.k12.de.us if you are in need of a device or have internet concerns.

Technology and virtual learning bag pick-up: Tentatively set for the following dates;
Monday August 31st 3:00-5:00
Tuesday September 1st 4:00-6:00
These dates are dependent upon us receiving all materials.

Schoology Parent Academy:
September 1st and 2nd time to be determined.

Meet the Teacher: August 31st. Teachers will email you the zoom link needed.
Kindergarten-Second grades: 9:00 and 12:00
Third-Fifth grades: 9:30 and 12:30
You only need to attend one session and sessions will be recorded for viewing at a later time if you are unable to attend the live sessions.

Food Distribution: Keene will serve as a meal site for curbside pick-up. Students’ enrollment will be verified and applicable meal charges applied daily to cafeteria accounts for all paid and reduced price students.

Parent Support Center:
CSD will have a new Parent Support Center starting on August 31st to assist families with navigating the aspects of remote learning and tech support and other needs. Families can access the Parent Support Center online or by calling 302-552-2632.

Information: Most information will be emailed out via Parent link, so please make sure that we have your correct email address. We will no longer be using Class Dojo. Keene also utilizes our website to share information, http://www.keenees.org. Additionally, we have a Twitter account (@KeeneElementary) and a Facebook page (Keene (William B.) Elementary School) that we will use to send out updates and quick announcements as we go through the school year. Also, please visit www.christinak12.org/reopening for updates.

On a final note, please welcome the following new Staff members:
Ondre Gipson, Support Staff
Lisa Smith, PE Teacher
Arin Wilson, Music Teacher
Brandia Sanders, Special Education Teacher
Bethany Roche, Psychologist
Thank you very much for taking the time to read this lengthy email! Our hope is that you found it informative as you prepare for the upcoming school year. As always, if you have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are happy to assist in any way we can and we look forward to a successful school year.

Sincerely,

Mariellen Taraboletti
Principal

Heather Buchanan
Assistant Principal

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**ELA Block**: Students will engage in a variety of activities both Synchronous and Asynchronous.

**Small group reading**: Synchronous small group differentiated instruction.

**Grammar & Writing**: Synchronous and Asynchronous.

**Math**: Synchronous and Asynchronous. Students will explore concepts through activities, video and live demonstrations, collaborative/group opportunities as well as small group independent practice.

**Science/Social Studies**: Synchronous and Asynchronous.

**RTI**: Synchronous. Students will receive targeted support and assistance to meet and exceed grade level expectations.