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Every Day Counts: Educate, Engage, Empower

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Re: Parent Update

Dear Parents,

I hope that this message finds you and your families well. This communication is our on-going effort to keep you informed of what we are seeing in our district in terms of the pandemic. In addition to this letter, you will find two other documents in this communication. I will touch on both of those below.

On Tuesday evening, as part of their monthly board work session, I provided the board with a pandemic update. Following our special meeting in September, I was asked to continue updating this information as a way to better keep them and you informed on the changing landscape regarding the pandemic. As you can tell from the document, our hospitals in Wyoming and in our region continue to see high numbers of patients and the availability of ICU beds continues to be a challenge. You will notice that several facilities have worked in the past month to expand their available bed space. There are also two facilities that as of October 1st, were on “Divert” status (current demands exceeding the Emergency Department’s ability to treat additional patients promptly).

The Wyoming Health Department data has also been updated to reflect overall statistics. While I am not a statistician, it does appear that positive cases may be at least leveling off across Wyoming and vaccination rates for those choosing to do so has climbed by over 50k doses from last month. In Dubois, (according to Wyoming Dept of Health) there are fewer than 5 reported cases and 7 more recoveries since we last reported.

As a school district, we continue to follow our established protocols and are grateful for the support and assistance of our families as we work to mitigate the spread in our schools. We want your students here with us and need your continued support to help us achieve that goal.

Mitigation practices are much like the layers of an onion. As we add more layers, it is our hope that we are better able to keep the virus out of school and your students in. To that effort, we have added two cleaning and disinfecting machines to help us better treat our spaces. I have added details regarding both of those in the update. We have also started voluntary, asymptomatic testing for staff and will be launching this effort for students next week. Again, this is strictly voluntary. We know that some individuals may have no symptoms yet may be positive for the virus and have the ability to spread it. Testing could help us prevent spread. I am including the form that Anna will need you to complete should you choose to participate. If you have any questions regarding this, please don’t hesitate to reach out to Anna.

We continue to update our website to better demonstrate our transparency. It is important to know that we also respect individual privacy so more specific information cannot be shown (such as names or assignments).

For those individuals considering vaccinations, the best advice is to consult your medical professionals. The locations below continue to offer COVID vaccinations by appointment.

- Riverton Wal-Mart 307-856-3261
- Riverton Walgreens 307-857-6023
- Lander Medical Clinic 307-332-2941
- Fremont County Health 307-856-6454

Thank you for the important role that you play in helping us educate your students. Together, we can make a difference in the lives of our young people.

Respectfully,

Steve Splichal, Superintendent FCSD#2