

JAMESTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## Mrs. Contessa Pelfrey, Superintendent

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Dear Jamestown School District Families,

The Governing Board of Jamestown School District met last night and made the 5-0 decision to uphold the Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> return to the hybrid model of cohort in-person instruction. In-person instruction on campus will continue with all the same health and safety procedures and protocols in place following our Return to School Plan and in compliance with California Department of Public Health guidelines. Classes will remain in cohorts maintaining social distancing requirements. Whatever instructional model (e.g., Distance learning, Independent study or Inperson) your child was participating in before the November 30<sup>th</sup> switch to all distance learning, will continue when we return to in-person instruction on the 19th. If you would like to request a change to your instructional model, please contact the school office, 984-5217 ext. 3149. Any student requests to be added to in-person instruction will be based upon the availability of space within each cohort classroom in order to maintain social distancing.

For all students that will be attending in-person instruction, the school day will begin at 8:15 AM with both campuses opening no earlier than 8:00 AM. All arrival and dismissal procedures using the car line with *PikMyKid* and specific entrances for grade level spans will resume. A reminder that entry to the drop off point is heading north on Fifth Ave. We ask for the safety of you and others, that you go to East Ninth Street and North on Seventh Ave and then take seventh Street West to enter the Fifth Ave North entry point. I know that this makes a circle to enter the drop off zone, but it protects drivers and walkers from the buildup of traffic on Fifth Ave. Safety is of the greatest concern, and you will see that the process moves swiftly.

Students will be required to follow the same health and safety guidelines. Students will continue social distancing and temperature taking upon entering campus and will report directly to class. For dismissal, beginning at 12:30 PM for bus riders and primary (K-2) students and their siblings at car pick up line 1, 12:40 designated students will report to Garden Gate (parents have been notified), dismissal for grades 3-8 car line 1 pick-up will begin at 12:45 PM. All students who are walking will be released at 12:50 PM at Gate 2. Please refresh your memory about the *PikMyKid* App and the appropriate time to pick up your child. The parent/student contract for hybrid instruction that you and your child signed earlier in the school year is still in effect.

Please follow the instructions of your child's teacher as to whether the District issued Chromebook, and any other necessary classroom materials, textbooks, workbooks should be returned with your child on Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>.

A reminder that Jamestown School District provides FREE breakfast and lunch to ALL students. Breakfast will be provided and eaten in classrooms with K-1 students eating lunch in the classroom as well. All other students will be taking lunches home with them at dismissal.

It is still very important to be aware and follow all health and safety guidelines. If your child is not feeling well and/or has any COVID-like symptoms especially a fever, cough, difficulty breathing, please keep your child home until they feel better. Please continue to call the attendance line for any absences. Be advised that if your child is ill at school, you will be immediately notified and asked to pick up your child. In that instance, your child will not be allowed to return to school for 10 days unless we receive a doctor's note with an alternate diagnosis or a negative COVID test AND are symptom free without any pain or fever reliving medications for 24 hours. Please note that <u>Adventist Health Pediatric</u> <u>Clinics</u> will now be able to test children for Covid-19 using a **Rapid-PCR tests in their clinics**. The access for the rapid PCR test is through Foothill Pediatrics and Forest Rd. Pediatrics. Prompt Care also have the rapid PCR tests available if students or parents do not have a primary care provider.

We want to make sure that our schools and classrooms can stay open and safe. In order to do that, we continue to emphasize how important it is to do our part to contain the spread of the virus in our community. Please, continue to follow prevention guidelines:

- Practice physical distancing at all times. Keep 6 feet space between yourself and others who are not part of your household. <u>Stay in your household bubble!</u>
- Wear a face covering in public.
- Wash your hands thoroughly and frequently.
- Avoid gatherings of any size with people who are not part of your household.
- Stay home if you are sick.
- Avoid unnecessary travel, and limit your outings to essential tasks.

In partnership,

Contessa Pelfrey, Superintendent