## District 12 Updates

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From the Desk of Dr. Mary Henderson





## 2020-21 School Year Calendar

Regular monthly Board of Education Meeting: Tuesday, January 19 at 7:00 p.m.

Next SMART Day: Wednesday, January 27

Illinois Department of Public Health <u>Trend Data</u>

**DuPage County Health Department Data Dashboard** 

2020-21 Remote Learning Newsletters

2020-21 In-person Learning Newsletters

## Inclement Weather Days

This year has provided us the opportunity to rethink the way we address instruction when weather conditions prohibit our buildings opening for school. For the 2020-21 school year, if we are able to anticipate a potential emergency weather day, we will send students home with Chromebook and materials for the next day. If the decision is made to close our school buildings, all D12 students will have a remote learning day.

In the event we are not able to anticipate and plan ahead for an emergency weather day, if our school buildings are not able to open, all D12 students will have an emergency day and school will be canceled for the day. We will add a day to the end of the school year.

We are anticipating snow beginning late in the day Monday and continuing into Tuesday. Forecasts vary, but the upper end has predictions of 6-9 inches. For this reason, I have asked our teachers to prepare for a *potential* remote learning day on Tuesday. If weather forecasts remain the same, students will come home prepared to have a remote learning day Tuesday *IF* conditions do not allow us to have our buildings open. The final call for a remote learning day will not happen until approximately 5:15 a.m. on Tuesday morning.

## District 12 Vaccination Plan for Staff

On Monday, January 25, the state will begin to allow for those in Group 1b to begin receiving the COVID-19 vaccine, and this group includes educators. Our Lake Park High School feeder districts have been working together to develop and implement a plan for our staff to be vaccinated. Four hundred staff members will be vaccinated on Monday including thirty-four of our D12 staff. We are thrilled to be able to get staff members in on Day 1! Our provider partner has committed to the remaining number of vaccines we need to vaccinate the rest of our staff in the very near future.

Getting a very large group of 1300 people vaccinated requires flexibility in sending staff to get their vaccine and return to work. Fortunately for D12, our staff will be going to Lake Park's East Campus for their vaccine, allowing them to go and get their vaccine and return to work. Your child may come home and share that other staff members were providing coverage in the classroom, and it is likely that their teacher was out getting vaccinated.

We appreciate all of the effort and flexibility of our staff so that we can get them protected from COVID-19!

I hope you are enjoying your weekend, and we look forward to seeing our students on Monday!

Sincerely,

