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## **Our Mission Is Student Success**

Date: 1-4-21

To: KNPS Parents

From: Jerrod Wheeler

Re: Second Semester Updates

Dear Parents/Guardians:

We are excited to see your children at school tomorrow! I hope you had time to relax and refresh over break before we start second semester. Thank you for your continued support this school year. Please read the important information below before students start classes tomorrow.

## **Transportation Updates**

We ask all families who have children riding a bus to view the bus routes posted on our website before classes resume on January 5: <a href="http://www.knobnoster.k12.mo.us/p\_a\_r\_e\_n\_t\_s/school\_bus\_information">http://www.knobnoster.k12.mo.us/p\_a\_r\_e\_n\_t\_s/school\_bus\_information</a>

Due to enrollment changes for second semester, bus routes have been adjusted. Significant changes were made to bus routes 1, 8, 13, 14, 15, and 18. However, the transportation department recommends each family take a quick glance at your child's bus route to ensure you have the most current information. If you do not see a bus stop close to your house, please contact your child's school office today.

## **USDA Free School Meals**

With an extension of the USDA Free School Meals Program, Knob Noster Public Schools will offer FREE meals to all children in the community, regardless of income or enrollment in the District. Students will not be charged for breakfast and lunch meals provided at school through the end of the school year (May 26, 2021).

Free breakfast/lunch meals are also available **to virtual students**, **all individuals 18 years of age and younger**, **and all individuals with special needs 21 years of age and younger** in our community. In order to participate, please complete the following form <u>daily</u> (by 9 a.m. the day you want lunch) - https://forms.gle/M6SHh6WB2Wj6QxKJ6

Pick up of meals will be at your child's school cafeteria during lunch serving times and will include lunch, plus breakfast for the next day. Three lunch choices will be available each day (hot lunch, cold sandwich, or salad). The lunch choices are based on the school menus available

here: http://knobnoster.ss13.sharpschool.com/p\_a\_r\_e\_n\_t\_s/menus\_and\_nutrition

Per DESE guidelines, parents who pick up meals should bring a form of ID for their child (school ID or car rider pick-up decal) as proof of residence in our district.

## **Reminders for Return to Classes**

Please remind your children to charge their laptops today to be prepared for learning tomorrow. Winter weather arrived over break - ensure your children wear clothing and outerwear appropriate for colder temperatures in the coming months. Lastly, the Johnson County Public Health Order remains in effect. We recommend washing face masks before classes resume and continued washing on a regular basis. Face coverings are required at all times in school buildings.

Again, we look forward to seeing students tomorrow!

Very respectfully,

Jerrod Wheeler, Ed.D. Superintendent