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Dear Parents and Families,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year. Teachers, staff and administrators cannot wait to meet students and families and get started with building relationships and learning. As you know by now the Rochester City School District has chosen to utilize the 100% remote learning model for the first 10 weeks of school. This decision was made to ensure the health and safety of all students and staff.

Although the start of the year is not traditional and presents challenges for students, teachers and families it affords us opportunities to stretch ourselves and learn new skills. As a school community, we will continue to work together to make sure our students have relevant, meaningful and purpose-filled learning opportunities.

Your child will be in XXX Mrs. XXX will be reaching out to you soon to make an introduction. She can be reached by email at XXX

Below are some important dates and details for the start of school:

- All students will receive 100% remote learning in grades Pre K-12.
- The **first day of school is Monday September 14, 2020.**
- The school day is from 9:00-3:30. Please see the attached instructional schedule and specials schedule.
- Student information sheets are included in this letter and if updates are needed please make the changes, sign and **return the form to school 42 on the materials pick up day**
- Suggested School Supply List for home is attached. The school will provide some materials for at home learning in the Learning Kits.
- Students will receive online instruction Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
- Attendance is taken daily within the first hour. Robo calls will go out at 10:00 for students not actively engaged within the first hour of the day
- On Wednesdays, each teacher will have a regularly scheduled two-hour block for open office hours. Students and parents can log on to the meeting and ask questions and meet with the teacher
- Students in grades K-4 will receive Chromebooks the week of September 7th (see dates below).
- **5-12 Students who did not receive a chromebook...** The district website will have a link where students can request a Chromebook. Families can call to request a Chromebook on the RCSD hotline at 262-8700. Once a student requests a Chromebook, Instructional Technology will prepare the device and ship it to the student's home school. The student and parent will be notified by the school that they can come and pick it up.  
[HERE IS THE LINK FOR GETTING A CHROMEBOOK](#)
- **MIFIs**-During the week of August 31<sup>st</sup> the District website will have a link for students to request a MiFi. A robo call will go out alerting students. Families without internet access can also call the hotline at 262-8700. Once a student requests a MiFi, Instructional Technology will prepare them and ship them to the home school. Once the home school receives the MiFi, the student and parent will be notified by the school that they can pick it up.

## Important Dates

- **September 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>** Chrome Books and Student Learning Kits can be picked up at School 42 for students in **grades K-4**. Pick up will be in the bus loop (one way entry and exit) Scheduled times will be sent out closer to September 7<sup>th</sup>.
- **September 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>** Grade 5 & 6 Student Learning Kits handed out at scheduled grade level times
- **September 14<sup>th</sup>** First Day of School
- **September 16<sup>th</sup> Virtual Parent Meeting** 6:00-7:00PM. The meeting link will be on our web site on September 16<sup>th</sup> . The link will not be live until five minutes before the meeting begins. If you have questions we are asking that you send them prior to the meeting to our school email at [42info@RCSDK12.org](mailto:42info@RCSDK12.org)

The first day of school, this year is different for all of us, but I believe that as a school community we can make it an amazing first day and every day after. As educators, we KNOW our PURPOSE and our IMPACT. We are ready for this school year and look to collaborate with parents to meet your child's needs. Please do not hesitate to reach out with questions or concerns. Enjoy the last few days of summer.

Respectfully,

Lisa Whitlow

Principal

Abelard Reynold School 42

### Suggested School Supply List for at Home Learning

Pre-kindergarten – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Grades 3-6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Glue Sticks</li><li>• Construction Paper Assorted 9X12 pack</li><li>• Dry Erase Markers</li><li>• Counters (macaroni, beans, pennies)</li><li>• Playdough (provided a recipe if you'd like to make your own)</li><li>• Pencil Sharpener</li><li>• Magnetic Letters &amp; a Cookie Sheet</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pencils</li><li>• Dry Erase Markers</li><li>• Notebooks</li><li>• Pencil sharpener</li></ul>