October 1, 2020

Dear EVW Families,

After reviewing the increasing Meeker and Stearns Bi-weekly County COVID case numbers, and the potential health impact to our students, staff and community, all EVW schools will remain in our current Hybrid Learning Model. We will remain in this Hybrid Learning Model for at least another two weeks, when the October 15, Bi-weekly County COVID case numbers become available.

Meeker County COVID case rate has risen to: 26

Stearns County COVID case rate has risen to: 25.83

Elementary Hybrid Learning Model

PreK – Grade 6: Students will attend M, T, W, TH for in-person instruction with their classroom teachers. Friday will be used for office hours, student/family engagement, colleague collaboration and planning.

Secondary Hybrid Model

Grades 7 - 12 will be split into two learning cohorts. In general, the secondary cohorts will be split by last name of the family household, with consideration given to generating educational equity within groups.

- Secondary Cohort A: in-person learning on Monday and Tuesday, virtual learning on Wednesday and Thursday, and office hours, student/family engagement, and colleague collaboration on Fridays.
- **Secondary Cohort B**: virtual learning on Monday and Tuesday, in-person learning on Wednesday and Thursday, and office hours, student/family engagement, and colleague collaboration on Fridays.

Please, remember to keep each other safe by practicing social distance, hand hygiene, wear a mask, and stay home when feeling sick. The safety of our students and staff is our top priority and we need your help during these challenging times.

Thank you for the continued partnership in creating our amazing EVW educational system of excellence.

Respectfully,

Mark Messman

Superintendent of Eden Valley-Watkins School District