

February 25, 2021

Dear Parents and/or Guardians:

The EV-W School Board last evening approved the transition of grades 7-12 students from hybrid to in-person learning in March. Specifically, grades 7-9 will return on Monday, March 8 and grades 10-12 will return on Monday, March 15. In-person instruction will now be four days per week (Monday-Thursday) with Fridays presently continuing to serve as staff planning days and times for faculty to connect with students in need of academic assistance.

According to executive order, parents have the right to decide if they wish to have their children participate in either Monday-Thursday in-person instruction or fulltime distance learning. Students will not be allowed to do a combination of both learning models. In order to assist with planning, please contact the school by Tuesday, March 2 only if you wish to have your son and/or daughter distance learn.

As students return, safety precautions regarding the wearing of masks and washing hands will be required. In addition, Minnesota Department of Health guidelines state that individuals are required to maintain, when feasible, a 6 foot distance from others. Staff will do their best to spread students out as much as possible within the classroom and to seek additional locations for larger classes to assemble, if needed. Please understand that our classroom space will be extremely tight.

As a staff, we look forward to the return of our students and have missed all of them greatly! Please contact me at your convenience if you have any questions pertaining to the return plan for your children's education.

Sincerely,

Bruce Kiehn

EV-W Secondary Principal