

## Return to Learn Reminders for Parents

We are extremely excited to welcome your child back to school, whether it be in-person or remotely. We hope that your child is more ready than ever to get back to a routine and begin a new year of learning. Although the year will be anything but typical, we are ready to tackle the challenges and offer an amazing new experience for all of our learners. This year will be better than ever!

There are so many changes to our ordinary procedures in each building that we ask that you review your child's school's Return to Learn plan before we begin on Monday. There are also a few very important reminders that apply to all schools.

First, your child **MUST** be registered in order to attend school on Monday. If your child is not registered and shows up to school, he or she will have to be sent home. Please check to be sure you have registered and submitted registration for all of your children. Remote learners will not be allowed to participate if not registered. This is a requirement for all Prairie Central students no matter what manner of learning they have chosen.

For in-person learners, please remember to self-certify each of your children every day. For K-8<sup>th</sup> grade students, you will complete a paper form and send it with your child each day. High school students will self-certify through an app on their phone. We cannot allow children into the buildings unless they have been certified. We will take temperatures either on the bus or at the school. If you do not have a copy of the self-cert document, one is available on our website.

Anyone entering the building will be required to wear a mask. It might be a good idea for each student to have extra masks with them at all times.

Breakfast and lunch are available beginning Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup> to in-person and remote learners. Remote learners and high school students will be required to sign up for meals online. K-8 in-person learners will sign up each morning at school as usual. For the first seven weeks, meals will be sent home with in-person learners. Remote learners will be required to pick meals up daily. We have returned to regular meal service, so your child will be charged for each meal, unless he or she qualifies for free meals. If you believe your family will qualify for free or reduced priced meals, please apply through your Infinite Campus account, or call Joni Besgrove for assistance. (815) 692-2115. More information and a link to sign up for meals are also available on the website.

Lastly, please be mindful not to drop your child off too early, as we will be working hard to manage social distancing and the physical safety of each child.

Again, we are very excited for our school year to begin, and look forward to seeing all of our students return to school on Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup>.