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Dear Dr. Charles C. Polk School Families,

Welcome back! We hope you all had a safe and healthy holiday season. Our incredible Polk School staff is planning for full-day virtual/remote instruction for all of our students, PreK through Grade 4. We are excited to work closely with you to ensure the success and wellbeing of all of our students. We are firm “Believers” in the power of growth mindset and self-efficacy. We Believe “All Students Matter” and are capable of learning, growing, and achieving their goals.

We would like to reiterate that Roselle Public Schools is committed to the health and safety of our students and staff. We encourage families to stay connected and informed by following our district website for important updates and information regarding our reopening plans. Further information and resources will be provided to Polk School parents.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Starting Tuesday, January 4, 2022 to Friday, January 14, 2022 **mandatory** virtual/remote instruction will take place daily at 8:45 am.
- Devices can be picked up at Dr. Charles C. Polk School on January 4, 2022 at 8:30am.
- Students will utilize Schoology for instruction.
- Grab and Go Breakfast and Lunch will be distributed at Abraham Clark High School, Monday through Friday **from 7:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.**
- Parents/Guardians will provide at-home structure and accountability for online learning.
- Students **MUST** log in and have daily engagement in virtual/remote learning experiences.
- Parents/Guardians will provide an academic environment: students will require a quiet, uninterrupted space for daily study.
- Parents/Guardians can view virtual tutorials to familiarize themselves with the digital learning tools students are utilizing.
- Parents/Guardians monitor student progress daily: check-in with students on content, new learnings, successes, questions, and concerns.
- Parents/Guardians will help with navigating technology or be available to help students with logging on, finding materials, and following instructions.
- Daily Student Class Schedules will be provided by the teacher.
- Work and expectations will be consistent with in-person learning protocol.
 - Reading, Writing, Math, Social Studies, Science, and specials (PE, Music, Art, Spanish, technology, etc.)
- Synchronous Learning (structured learning time with a teacher and class):

- Attending class time, collaborating with classmates, reading, researching, learning from audio/video content
- Asynchronous (independent learning activities):
 - Written work, projects, experiments, reading, videos, flipped lessons, managing timelines
- Grading practices for virtual/remote learning will align with the grading practices for in-person school setting.

We are looking forward to a productive partnership with you to ensure your child achieves their greatest potential. We understand that in order to be successful in school, our students need support from home. As partners in education, we must share the responsibility for your child's success. We ask that you guide and support your child's learning and growth mindset daily at home. A strong partnership with parents will make a great difference in your child's education. We hope you are committed to the journey. We cannot do this important work without you.

Thank you again for entrusting us with your most valuable commodity. We truly *need* each other to be successful.

Educationally yours,

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