## **Colfax-Mingo** Community Schools

Oct 30, 2020

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As of today, the Jasper County 14-day positive rate is 15%. (You can monitor the positivity rates at <u>this site from the state of Iowa</u> and monitor our <u>local data on this site</u> I manage). Given that it is Friday and we do not have school Monday, *we will determine whether or not to go to Hybrid plan by Sunday, Nov 1 at noon*.

- If the rate is still at 15% or higher, we will shift to our Hybrid plan for Nov 3 -Nov 16.
- If the rate is at 20% or above, we will be temporarily closing our buildings and shifting to an all distance learning model.

## If we shift to a Hybrid or Distance Learning model, I will contact all parents through JMC, as well as post it to our website and social media platforms. In this scenario, all of our conferences Nov 5, 12, and 17 would be virtual only.

## Further, you will receive a text message today as a reminder with which Hybrid group your family is in.

In anticipation of this potential, we are sending home devices today for 3rd - 6th graders that are in the Orange group. K - 2nd in the Orange group will have paper/pencil information sent home with them. PK teachers will be in contact with parents regarding their hybrid model.

Reminder that our Hybrid Model is where we split our students into two groups, <u>Blue and</u> <u>Orange</u>. For example, if we reached 15% on Sunday:

- Tuesday would begin the Hybrid Learning model with a Blue day.
- While Blue is on-site Tuesday and Thursday, the Orange group would be participating in distance learning from home.
- Wednesday and Friday would be an Orange day with Orange group on-site and the Blue group would be participating in distance learning from home.
- This alternating rotation would continue for two weeks.
- We would continue with our 3-hr late start Wednesdays.

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Please continue to follow health and safety guidelines from the Iowa Department of Public Health and the CDC of <u>handwashing</u>, <u>staying home when sick</u>, <u>maintaining 6 feet</u> <u>of distance</u>, and <u>wearing a mask</u>. Thank you for continuing to follow the expectations in our buildings of wearing a face covering and using hand sanitizer when entering the building and throughout the day.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Take care and be safe.

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Colfax-Mingo Community School District's mission is to ensure a community that fosters life-long learners, independent thinkers, and productive citizens of character!