



December 10, 2020

Dear Reuben Johnson Elementary School Parents,

We are reaching out to you today to provide you with an important message related to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and its recent impact on campus. We sent out a communication on December 7, 2020, notifying RJE parents of the elevated number of COVID cases and quarantined staff at the school.

Due to the continued rise in the number of positive staff and student COVID-19 cases, McKinney ISD is temporarily closing Reuben Johnson Elementary School for in-person learning starting tomorrow. Over one third of RJE teachers and staff have tested positive, are presumed positive, or are quarantined due to COVID-19.

All students at the campus will transition to at-home virtual learning for the remainder of this semester, through December 18. The decision was made out of an abundance of caution and respect for the health of our students, staff, and parents.

Reuben Johnson Elementary School will resume normal in-person learning following the winter break, on Tuesday, January 5, 2021. Tomorrow, we will transition to virtual learning for all RJE students. Parents will be receiving additional information from the campus related to the District's virtual learning instruction.

During the closure, the campus will undergo extensive deep cleaning and disinfecting, and we encourage parents to follow recommended guidelines for reducing the spread of COVID-19 (washing hands, wearing a mask, and practicing social distancing).

Please know that the health and safety of our students and staff will always be our highest priority. We appreciate your ongoing patience and understanding as we do our best to provide our students with the safest possible learning environment during the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, please know that we will be extremely patient during this transition, and we do not want any parent or student to be stressed as we move to online learning. We are in this together, and our goal is to be as flexible and understanding as possible as we partner with you to continue student learning.

You will soon be receiving additional information concerning virtual learning. We will continue instruction today and follow the normal release schedule and bus transportation. The RJE Club

360 after-school program will also remain open today but will close for the remainder of the semester beginning tomorrow.

Sincerely,

McKinney ISD Health Services