

October 28, 2020

Dear Centennial Families,

I am pleased to share that our district will continue offering a virtual option to students in the spring semester, through the remainder of the school year. If you would like to switch your student's current instructional status for Spring Semester, please <u>click here to access an instructional change form</u> that is **due next Friday, November 6**<sup>th</sup>. If you plan to keep your Coyote's current instructional status for Spring Semester, no action is needed.

There are a few very important differences to note for virtual learning in Spring Semester:

### **Greater Focus on Learners through Dedicated Classes**

In most cases, we will strive to staff completely virtual and completely in-person classes so that your Coyote's teachers can focus on one set of learners at a time: their virtual students or their in-person students, but not both simultaneously. There may be a very limited number of courses in which virtual and classroom students continue to learn together.

#### Commitment for the Full Semester

Because our counselors and administrators will need time to build and staff these completely virtual and completely in-person spring classes, we require change requests by next Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. Whether you choose to keep or switch your child's instructional status for next semester, note that your Coyote will remain in that instructional status through the end of the school year. Families will not be able to move their child from one instructional status to another intermittently throughout the semester.

# We May Communicate Some Changes in Course Availability

Virtual classes will be available based on enrollment and staffing, which means that a few classes that were available in the fall may be unavailable in the spring. Each high school's spring course offerings may therefore differ slightly. If your child will learn virtually in the spring and your child's schedule includes a class that is not available virtually, a Centennial school counselor will contact you to replace that unavailable virtual course.

## **Daily Virtual Class Period Check-in**

All students who choose virtual instruction will be required to check-in with their virtual teachers during a dedicated class period each day. Virtual students' day-to-day learning will take place through the online curriculum in the platform(s) assigned by each teacher.

### Your Coyote's Spring Instructional Model

For Spring Semester, I Choose

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Change	No Change
Switch from Classroom to Virtual Learning	Continue Learning Virtually
or	or
Switch from Virtual to Classroom Learning	Continue In-Person
Complete this Form Click Here	No Action is Needed
Printed copies are available at the Centennial front desk. Sign and return	
the form to the CeHS front office	
receptionist by Friday, Nov. 6 <sup>th</sup> .	

#### **More Information Next Week**

Centennial and PUSD will provide and record two live online forums. In addition, please contact our front office, your student's counselor, or administration by calling 623-412-4400.

## Centennial Community Forum: Wednesday, November 4th at 6:00pm

Mr. Hollabaugh will host a 6pm virtual community forum next Wednesday to present information and take questions regarding second semester. Please <u>click here to join us</u> <u>at 6pm on Wednesday</u>. The same link will take you to the forum's recording after its live completion. These live events do not work on some types of Apple devices.

# PUSD Q&A: Thursday, November 5th at Noon

Our district will also offer a Live Q&A with high school leaders at **Noon on Thursday**, **Nov. 5** which you may access via <u>our district website</u>. This video will also be available for playback immediately, in case you miss it.

Our community's COVID-19 data changes weekly, so it may be difficult for some families to commit to an instructional choice two months ahead of our January 4<sup>th</sup> start to second

semester. If you feel concerned about making the right decision for your family by November 6<sup>th</sup>, please participate in the online forums to ask questions and get more information. Our families' November 6<sup>th</sup> choices will provide the time counselors, teachers, and administration need to collaborate and build an improved second semester experience. Thanks for your patience and support. Please contact our office if we can be of further assistance.

Mr. Hollabaugh Principal