

RISE Resource Center

November 13th, 2020

Dear RISE Families,

We are all facing the challenges brought to our community by COVID-19, we are asking for your help and partnership so that we can keep our schools open for in-person education. RISE is considering preventative measures so that we as a school can continue to protect our students, staff and families. We understand that there is not a perfect solution during these uncertain times, but our continued goal is to provide each student with the support they need for their education, while remaining sensitive to each family's individual needs and concerns.

The administration at RISE is closely monitoring the situation with COVID-19 in our community. We are in daily consultation with the Yavapai County Health Department, and local physicians and nurses. Their message is the same, "COVID-19 is in our community and spreading." Not only are positive COVID-19 numbers going up in our community, but we are also seeing an increase in in-patient hospitalizations locally.

Although we have experienced positive COVID-19 cases in our school, none of these positive cases have led to further spread. Each of these cases were determined by the Yavapai County Health Department to be related to outside of school exposure.

Our schools and staff are working very hard to maintain safety for our students, and we are calling upon our families for help. If you or anyone else in your immediate family is sick, think they may be sick, or have come into contact with a known case of COVID-19, please stay home and contact your school. If your child comes to school, and has more than two symptoms, we will have to send them home in order to stay in compliance with county regulations. Students will have to be symptom free for 72 hours, and/or test negative for COVID-19. Now is not the time for panic or fear but resolve to do the right thing for the sake of all in our community.

Sincerely,

Emily Holly Director

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