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Welcome Back!

Dear El Dorado Union High School District Community,

We are excited to welcome you back to the 2021-22 school year! All of our teachers and staff look forward to seeing our students back on campus tomorrow, Monday, August 9, 2021. The California Department of Public Health has provided new COVID-19 Guidance for Schools (August 2, 2021). With the Delta variant of the COVID-19 virus spreading, students are required to wear masks indoors (including while riding on the school bus) as required by the California Department of Public Health.

Please do not send your student to school if they have been recently exposed to COVID-19 or are feeling ill and have symptoms of COVID-19. Our COVID-19 health protocols are detailed on our website if you desire further information. Let's work together to keep our schools and community healthy and safe.

If your student has received the COVID-19 vaccine, you may submit documentation to the Health Office at your school site. You may submit a hard copy or send a copy via email to the Health Technician at your school site:

El Dorado: mmorris@eduhsd.net
Independence: dcochran@eduhsd.net
Oak Ridge: dyates@eduhsd.net
Ponderosa: chuffman@eduhsd.net
Union Mine: bhaag@eduhsd.net
Virtual Academy: bhaag@eduhsd.net

Contained below is additional information regarding the start of school:

Nutrition Services

Our Nutrition Services Department will provide EDUHSD enrolled students one nutritious breakfast and one nutritious lunch Monday through Friday at no cost.

Funds may also be uploaded to student accounts through https://www.myschoolbucks.com or at any of our five school site locations if students choose to purchase 2nd meals or an all a cart item.

Safety is our number one priority, and we have implemented meal distribution procedures that ensure compliance with the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and local health department COVID-19 recommendations. For more information, please call (530) 622-5081 x7234.

Wellness

El Dorado Union High School District and Sierra Child & Family Services care about the well-being of students, families, and staff. We are here for you and your family if you need help. The mission of the Wellness Center is to assist students and families with navigation to community resources, to offer a safe space to explore needs or concerns as well as to improve the overall health and well-being of the students. With this said, we understand this support may be needed now more than ever.

As we embark on the unique start of the 2021-22 school year, please know the Wellness Center is open and available to support any need or concern that may come up for your student or family. We are available to set up appointments via phone, zoom or in person to support your student and family.

Please feel free to contact us by phone at (530) 280-2009 or by email:

El Dorado:cougarwellness@eduhsd.k12.ca.us

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- · Oak Ridge: trojanwellness@eduhsd.k12.ca.us
- · Ponderosa: <u>bruinwellness@eduhsd.k12.ca.us</u>
- · Union Mine and Virtual Academy: <u>diamondbackwellness@eduhsd.k12.ca.us</u>
- · Independence: <u>saintwellness@eduhsd.k12.ca.us</u>

Additionally, if you or someone you know is in need of immediate assistance, please call 911 or refer to the attached list of crisis intervention resources.

For additional resources, please check our website at the following address: https://www.scfswellnesscenters.org/

Transportation Services

Visit http://www.eduhsd.k12.ca.us/Transportation/2021-2022-Bus-Routes/index.html for the 2021-22 Bus Route Schedule. Please check to see where your new stop is located.

Students who ride school buses are required to wear a face covering and maintain social distance while waiting in line for the bus and while riding it. Students are also encouraged to sit with family members if applicable or near other students who board and deboard together. The buses will be cleaned and sanitized on a daily basis. Bus pass sales are now available online. We encourage you to purchase your bus pass(es) online through your mySchoolBucks account to help with social distancing. For incoming freshmen, be sure to check that "El Dorado Union High School District" is selected at the top of your screen.

Free or Reduced applications are available on the Transportation Department's <u>website</u> and can be mailed or dropped off with the appropriate payment or income verification documents to:

EDUHSD Bus Fees 4675 Missouri Flat Road Placerville, CA 95667

No application is needed if you are purchasing through <u>mySchoolBucks</u>. If you are purchasing in person, you may experience long wait times due to limited staffing. Make checks payable to EDUHSD and include your student(s) name and school site on the check. Transportation Department office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Please prepare for the bus stop and time changes and adjust accordingly for the coming school year. Thank you for your support and flexibility while we all adjust during these uncertain times. If you have any questions, please contact our Transportation Department at (530) 622-5081 x7245 or x7250.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership as we navigate our way closer to the new school year.

Ron Carruth, Ed.D. Superintendent El Dorado Union High School District