



GILPIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-1

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Home of the Eagles!

September 25, 2020

Dear Gilpin School Community,

The ***In-person Learning Program*** restarted in the school building 4 days a week, Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m to 4 p.m. this week. Just under 300 students returned to classes in preschool through grade 12, representing about 70% of the student body. Thanks are extended to students, parents, and staff for a great week back in school!

Morning and afternoon bus routes are back in operation. Appreciation is extended to parents for providing family transportation for your child(ren) to and from school. Rider capacity on each bus is between 12 and 18 students, providing the recommended social distancing. [Click this link for bus routes/stops.](#)

Students may still bring snacks, breakfast, and lunch from home to school everyday. Food Service is providing breakfast and lunch meals at school Monday through Thursday, pre-packaged and bagged. To manage cost and eliminate waste, parents are requested to order meals a week in advance by noon Wednesday for the next week. [For placing orders and viewing the weekly menu, click the link.](#) Email Jane Yerkman with your order, jyerkman@gilpin.k12.co.us.

School staff are diligently monitoring and assessing students' health status with daily temperature and symptom checks when students arrive at school. Parents must take a temperature and ask the symptom check questions at home each morning before bringing their child(ren) to school or sending them to the bus stop. Students and staff with unexplained symptoms must stay home from school. Contact Connie Oliver coliver@gilpin.k12.co.us in the Health Office for questions about the health protocol.

The Symptom Check Questions:

Temperature over 100 ° F?

New or unexplained persistent dry cough?

Shortness of breath/difficulty breathing?

Chills?

Muscle pain?

Headache?

Sore throat?

Nausea or vomiting?

Diarrhea?

Running nose or congestion?

Loss of taste or smell?

Here is the link to the [REVISED School Restart Plan_9.17.2020](#). The [Reopening Schools Guidance](#) protocols and guidelines may not be met with 100% consistency at all times. These guidelines will be followed to the best of our ability and, whenever feasible, and, for younger children, when age and developmentally appropriate. The District will also follow the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment guidance in [Cases and outbreaks in child care and schools](#).



The principals are responsible for the administration and implementation of the teaching and learning programs. Parent with questions, comments, and feedback about teaching and learning and COVID-19 protocols may contact your principal: hhuntoon@gilpin.k12.co.us or adonaldson@gilpin.k12.co.us

COVID-19 will continue to affect teaching and learning throughout the 2020/2021 school year. I appreciate everyone's understanding as well as their adaptation of the teaching and learning programs in response to the pandemic.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David S. MacKenzie".

David S. MacKenzie, Ph.D.
Superintendent