



RACELAND-WORTHINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parent and Guardians,

As you have certainly already heard, the Raceland-Worthington Independent School District is following the advice of Governor Beshear and medical experts and beginning Non-Traditional Instructional (NTI) days for at least the next two weeks. NTI days are new to our district, but we have a solid plan in place to continue instruction for our students. We understand this decision causes hardships for many of you in the area of childcare, so we hope to make this experience as positive and simple for you as possible. It is imperative students understand and parents help reinforce that these next two weeks are not days off from school, and students are expected to follow the lessons/instruction their teachers have planned. Your participation and support will help limit the instructional loss of your child.

Chromebook/Package Pick-up

We encourage families who have internet access at home to allow their children to follow our digital instruction plan during this time. Students are familiar with this format already, which will ease the transition. For families who do not have internet access at home, students will have daily instructional packets available. On Monday, March 16, the new Raceland Worthington Middle School will be open between 9:00 AM and 6:00 PM for parents to pick up either their child's Chromebook and charger or the paper instructional packet for the first week. We encourage you to use your own device if you have one at home, but our Chromebooks will be available to take home if needed.

Daily Instruction

Teachers will be available daily to interact with students via Google Classroom. Some teachers may choose to post video lessons for students to view or have interactive chats as a mode of two-way communication. Students can ask questions about assignments or lessons and will be required to submit these assignments through Google Classroom, as they have been doing all year. Students are expected to complete all assignments on a daily basis, and teachers will be holding students accountable to this via messaging or phone calls if they begin to fall behind.

Lunch

The district is passionate about ensuring all students receive lunch during this time period. Part of our NTI plan is to offer daily lunches, just as on a normal school day, to any student whose family wishes they receive them. You may pick up lunch for your child at **CAMPBELL ELEMENTARY'S CAFETERIA** between 11:00 and 12:30 each day to take home. Children 18 and under will need to be present to receive a meal.

We appreciate your understanding of this situation, and we count on your cooperation to hold your child accountable to this instruction. While removing a student from face-to-face instruction from a teacher is not ideal, we believe this plan will still give our students access to their teachers and lessen the instructional loss. Stay safe!

Thank you,

Kyle Russell
Principal, RWMS