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Dear Silver Valley Families, Staff and Community,

I am writing to you today to provide an update to our current reopening plans for Silver Valley Unified School District. I am pleased to announce that our waiver for a hybrid model has been approved! As a result, we will begin our hybrid model, for **TK-6th grade only**, starting **Thursday, November 12, 2020**. Below, you will find some of the information regarding our Hybrid model.

HYBRID MODEL – For the first two days of school, 11/12/2020 & 11/13/2020, A Group students will attend Thursday, 11/12/2020, while B Group students will attend Friday, 11/13/2020. Schools will notify you which group your child is assigned (A or B) by the end of this week. If your child's teacher is changing, you will be notified by the end of this week as well.

Beginning the week of 11/16/2020, A Group students will attend Mondays & Wednesdays and B Group students will attend Tuesdays & Thursdays. During weeks when there is a scheduled holiday, the school sites will communicate with their parents the schedule for the week. On Fridays, students will be expected to login to their teacher's class online for Distance Learning instruction.

Students will follow an early-out schedule each day. Each site will start and end at the following times:

- **Lewis Elementary School:** TK/K: 8:00 am -11:00 am; 1st/2nd: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
- **Tiefert View Int. School:** 8:35 am - 12:35 pm
- **Newberry Elementary School:** 8:30 am - 1:00 pm
- **Yermo School:** TK-1st: 8:30 am - 1:05 pm; 2nd-4th: 8:30 am - 1:10 pm, 5th-6th 8:30-1:15
- **FIMS:** 6th Gr. only: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

Safety Procedures – All parents are required to monitor student health conditions prior to them leaving for school every day. If a student is not feeling well we ask that you please keep them home, for their safety and the safety of others. **Students will be required to wear masks at all times.** The following individuals are exempt from wearing a face covering:

- Persons with a verified medical condition, mental health condition, or disability that prevents wearing a face covering. This includes persons with a medical condition for whom wearing a face covering could obstruct breathing or who are unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove a face covering without assistance.
- Persons who are hearing impaired, or communicating with a person who is hearing impaired, where the ability to see the mouth is essential for communication.

Note: Persons exempted from wearing a face covering due to a medical condition who are employed in a job involving regular contact with others should wear a non-restrictive alternative, such as a face shield with a drape on the bottom edge, as long as their condition permits it.

Students will be expected to maintain 6 ft. social distance while waiting for the bus at their bus stop. Once the bus arrives students will need to line up maintaining the 6 ft. social distance. The bus drivers will ensure students are seated properly spaced on the bus. Household members will be allowed to sit together in the same seat.



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Once students arrive at school they will have their temperature taken by school site staff using touchless thermometers. If a student has a temperature at or above 100°, he/she will be directed to the school's health office and the parents will be required to come to school to pick them up. Hand cleaning and sanitizing stations will be available throughout the school for frequent hand washing/disinfecting. Students will not be allowed to share items while they are at school. Students are encouraged to bring their own water bottles as drinking fountains will be turned off at this time. Traffic patterns will be established at each school site and students will be trained on the first day of school on those patterns and all other safety procedures. Students will maintain at least 6ft of distance from others at all times.

Custodians and staff will regularly clean and disinfect high traffic/touch areas throughout the day.

Schedules – Each school site will communicate with their students and parents to share information about their students' daily schedules including start and end times, meal distribution and any other activities held at the school site.

Distance Learning – Please note, at any time, due to COVID-19, a class or classes, a school site or the district, could go back to distance learning. If a student tests positive for COVID-19, they will be asked to quarantine, according to county health guidelines. If a student or staff member has been diagnosed with COVID-19, the district will notify the school site and families so monitoring of symptoms and testing can be conducted. The district will also consult with the County Department of Public Health for guidance and conduct contact tracing for potential exposure to staff and students.

We appreciate the hard work of our teachers and staff in assisting the District in preparing for students to return to school. We also want to thank the parents and families for their continued patience and working with their students. We ask for everyone's continued patience and flexibility as we continue to travel down this unknown path and allow us to provide a safe and secure learning environment for our students and staff.

Sincerely,

Jesse M Najera
Superintendent

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Dear Silver Valley Parents and Families:

As students return back to school, parents are expected to do wellness checks with your students daily before sending them to school. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms **MUST STAY HOME** and consider seeking medical attention:

Fever or chills
Cough
Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
Fatigue
Muscle or body aches



New loss of taste or smell
Sore throat
Congestion or runny nose
Nausea or vomiting
Diarrhea
Headache