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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are happy to be welcoming back our students to in-person learning over the coming weeks. Rideau students in grades 7 & 8 will return to in-person learning this Monday Jan. 25 and Rideau students in grades 9-12 will return on Tuesday Feb. 2 for the start of Quadmester 3.

As this is the first time that we will be seeing our students since before the winter break, we want to remind everyone of some of our daily routines and changes that we are required to follow.

- All students are required to complete the daily COVID-19 screening prior to coming to school or upon the arrival at school. The provincial online screening tool is <u>here</u>.
- All students at our school will be required to wear a mask or face covering inside the school and **outside the school when physical distancing isn't possible.**
- School transportation will be operating for all eligible Grade 7-8 students beginning Jan. 25. Transportation for 9-12 students will start on Tuesday, Feb. 2 the first day of Quadmester 3.
- All students must wear masks on school transportation.
- Students who were loaned a device for remote learning in January are expected to return the devices to the school office on their first day back to in-person learning. Don't forget the power cords please!
- Hand sanitizing needs to be done each time students enter the school. Please remind your youth to make use of the hand sanitizing stations and to wash their hands frequently.
- Students need to have a refillable water bottle that they can use during the day. Our water fountains are not open.
- The cafeteria will not be open the week of Jan. 25th, Intermediate students please bring your lunch. The cafeteria will re-open on Tuesday Feb. 2nd.
- Lockers will still not be in use.

If your youth was learning remotely before the winter break and would like to return to in-person learning, please contact the school at 613-359-5391 or email <u>rideaudhs@ucdsb.on.ca</u>

For our remote learners: classroom teachers will continue to provide synchronous learning each day in the classroom setting for those doing synchronous learning; digital resources will continue to be available on Teams for our students who have chosen digital asynchronous learning; and printed packages will continue to be provided for our non-digital remote learners. Please connect with your specific teacher if you have questions with regards to when materials are ready for pick-up.

Thanks,

Brent Brown Principal

