

Dear ECASD Families,

I hope you are doing well during what continues to be a very challenging time for our community, our state, and our nation. I would like to provide you with an update on virtual learning, along with an opportunity to give us your feedback through a survey.

First, we need your input as we work to make further improvements. Although some of you have already done so, we invite you to take a survey, which will help us determine what our strengths and challenges are as we evaluate each of our instructional models and how we can best engage our staff in professional development to meet the needs of our students and families.

To take the survey, please visit

https://ecasd.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2uz2hxuvMoPayxf?RID=CGC_B5oIFTdOolkelv&Q_CHL=email.

Once we have reviewed the survey data, we will meet with our administrative and teacher leadership teams and the Board of Education to present and discuss the data publicly.

A key area which we aim to improve is communication. Through this weekly update and other channels, we are working to ensure our families, staff, and students have the up-to-date information they need. For example, I would like to share our Transition Plan document which you can view [HERE](#). This information is also available on our district COVID-19 webpage along with an explanatory video which you may watch [HERE](#).

We continue to make progress on providing our students with a high-quality virtual learning experience this school year. Administration will meet on Monday morning to review family requests for students to change from blended to virtual and virtual to blended. These determinations will be made based on staffing availability and space in classes.

We are continuing the work to standardize our learning management systems in a way that provides greater simplicity and ease of use for our students and families. For example, our 100% Virtual elementary and secondary teacher teams are progressing on their grade level expectations and structures. Furthermore, our 100% Virtual secondary teacher teams are examining grading practices and reporting procedures in our systems; that outcome will provide families a more accurate reflection of student achievement in the class.

I know we have said it often, but thank you once again for your patience and understanding as we have navigated these difficult times. In the meantime, we will continue to do our absolute best to serve each and every student.

Sincerely,

Michael Johnson, Superintendent
Eau Claire Area School District