## RIVER DELL MIDDLE SCHOOL



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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students:

As we prepare to pivot to remote instruction from January 6<sup>th</sup> through January 18<sup>th</sup>, the district would like to share some updates and materials that will assist with a smooth transition.

- 1. During this virtual period, students can still access the Help Desk by email or by going to the HIGH SCHOOL (not the middle school) and entering the building through the main entrance off Mackay Avenue beginning at 7:30 AM.
- 2. The Middle School will forego Homeroom which will result in a 7:58 AM start time for period 1 classes. The normal bell schedule (found here), including lunches, will be followed.
- 3. Students make sure to run updates and restart your computers.
- 4. Students have access to their RD Student Technology OneNote for any troubleshooting or technology explanation.
- 5. The following pages will be the most useful when transitioning to virtual.
  - a. Accessing virtual classroom links
  - b. Adjusting or fixing audio within a Teams meeting
- 6. Just a reminder: student expectations are the following while attending virtual class instruction.
  - a. Log into your virtual classroom on time and wait for your instructor to admit you from the lobby.
  - b. Dress appropriately and sit up (no lying down).
  - b. Cameras should be on with the student's face in view during instruction.
  - c. Be mindful of muting yourself when not actively participating in classroom discussions and speak when spoken to.

\*Any student not feeling well and must miss class should have a parent call into attendance at 201-599-7200 (follow prompts for middle school attendance office) or make a note in the Genesis Parent Portal so that accurate attendance is taken.

The district would like to thank you for your patience and perseverance through these unprecedented times. If a student needs any school items from the building, the middle school will be open during normal hours.

Best Regards,

Robert Urbanovich

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