Bluejay Strong – January 29, 2024

Good afternoon students and parents,

It is the start of a new week and, thanks to the hard work of all, we continue to implement our school reopening plan. Elementary and middle school students are back in the classroom daily and an early dismissal schedule is still being utilized for both buildings. And we look forward to having the high schoolers return this Wednesday following their open house, which is tomorrow (Tuesday) from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Bluejay Strong updates will taper off after February 1, but please continue to monitor the district's website, Facebook pages and School Messenger for future updates from Perry Community School District. Additional questions can still be sent to <u>Bluejaystrong@g.perry.k12.ia.us</u>.

News for Today – Monday, January 29, 2024

SCHOOL REOPENING PLAN REMINDERS

High School

- The open house is tomorrow (Tuesday, January 30) from 4:00 6:00 p.m.
- The first day of classes is Wednesday, January 31.
- Students should not be dropped off prior to 7:30 a.m. They will not be invited to enter the building until 7:30 a.m. unless supervised by a coach, teacher, activity sponsor or school district employee.
- All high school students will enter through the High School main door under the blue bricks on the west side of the building off 18th Street.
- Parents/Guardians who are also dropping off students at the Middle School will need to drop off Middle School students separately at the Middle School circle drive entrance.2
- High school students will have an early out at 1:45 p.m.
- At the end of the school day, all students must exit the building within 15 minutes after the last bell unless supervised by a coach, teacher, activity sponsor, or school district employee.
- Students will not be able to wait in the school for evening activities to begin. Parents should make arrangements to follow this dismissal/exit time.
- <u>Visit the school website to review what you can expect in the buildings.</u>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lunches – Grab and Go lunches will continue until tomorrow, January 30th. They can be picked up from 10:00 – 10:30 a.m. in the east parking lot of the elementary school. Please pull up to the service drive – door #8 to be helped.

COUNSELING

Important Note to Parents: When schools reopen, counseling support will be available to all students who are seeking additional support. If you DO NOT want your child to receive these support services, please contact your building principal. If you have additional questions, please contact Laura Skeel, Director of Learning Supports, at 515-330-6970.

Heart of Iowa Community Services

Heart of Iowa Community Services (<u>www.hicsiowa.org</u>) is available to assist with resources for both short- and long-term therapy and service needs. Financial assistance for mental health and disability services is also available for those without insurance or with limited insurance coverage. Please contact our office at 515-993-1722 or visit our website to learn about our services.

Project Recovery Iowa

Visit <u>Project Recovery lowa</u> to sign up for a time for a virtual conversation, phone or chat and indicate the time that works for you. Call 1-800-447-1985 for more information.