July 24, 2020

Dear Union Ridge 86 Community,

This past week, the administration presented to the Union Ridge School Board of Education the return plan for the upcoming school year.  The plan was created using the information collected from our parent and staff surveys and from the feedback offered from members of the Transition Team.  The Transition Team was composed of parents, staff members, board members, students and community members.

Based on all the information provided, a core team of teachers and administrators created a plan that we feel meets the requirements set forth by the Illinois State Board of Education, the Illinois Department of Public Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.  The plan is tentative and subject to change, but due to the limitations in space and necessary safety precautions, the district modified the school week and school day for all students planning to return to in person learning.

Attached to this email is more detailed information related to the plan for this school year.  Please note that we have pushed our start date for school to Tuesday, September 8th.  Hopefully this extra time will help you better prepare for the school year.

Please know that we are aware of the inconvenience caused by the many unknowns related to this pandemic.  Our number one priority is the safety of the students, staff and visitors that enter our building.  We yearn for the days of normalcy, but this will not be this year.  I ask for your patience and understanding as we navigate our way through this time of uncertainty.

Sincerely,

Michael Maguire