



Russell Independent Schools

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Dr. M. SEAN HORNE
Superintendent

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Dear Russell Independent Schools Families:

As we near the end of the 2020-2021 school year I would like to make you aware of some upcoming events. Our schools are planning to have most of their usual end of year activities although they may look a little different. RPS and RMIS will have Track and Field without spectators. RHS will have an outdoor graduation on May 28, 2021, weather permitting. Masks must be worn by all who attend graduation. All of our schools will have Summer Learning Opportunities for students. Please contact your child's school for more information about end of year activities and summer learning options.

I am excited to also let you know that yesterday evening the Healthy at Schools document was updated and now our students are no longer required to wear masks while they are outside. Masks must still be worn inside the buildings and on district owned transportation.

We do not yet have information from the Kentucky Department of Education on what mandates will be in place for the 2021-2022 school year. I can tell you that our District will not offer a Virtual Learning Option. We have had students in our buildings for several months now and have not had a major COVID-19 outbreak. I feel confident that the mechanisms we have in place are keeping our students and staff safe from COVID-19.

As always, I am happy to discuss any questions or concerns that you may have.

Sincerely,

Dr. M. Sean Horne,
Superintendent