



# EDINBURG CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Edinburg CISD Staff,

Thank you to the staff who have been directly serving students on-campus for the past several weeks. Our schools are now open to all students whose parents have chosen for them to receive on-campus learning. When we return from the winter break, all campus staff will report to their assigned schools on January 4, 2021.

As per the Texas Education Agency, the instructional school times for all students must return to the standard full day at the completion of the district's transition plan to phase-in students for face-to-face instruction. Beginning January 4, 2021 until the end of the school year, the new instructional school times for all students on-campus or at home, are outlined below.

### Instructional School Times

- Elementary School 7:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Middle School 8:15 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- High School 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

For on-campus students and staff to safely complete the District's mandatory temperature and wellness screening before the beginning of the school day, the teachers' daily work schedule has been modified until further notice for the following campus levels.

### Teacher Daily Work Schedule

- Elementary School 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Middle School 7:30 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.
- High School 8:15 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.

I have scheduled an Asynchronous Friday for remote learning on December 18, 2020. This Friday will also be an early release day for elementary students at 1:30 p.m. and secondary students at 2:30 p.m. as designated in our school calendar. The Asynchronous Friday is an opportunity for teachers to ensure their classrooms are prepared and ready for instruction on Monday, January 4, 2021, participate in district or campus level meetings, or continue with face-to-face instruction for students on-campus or synchronously for remote students.

Over the next two weeks, I urge you to relax and spend some quality time with your families and loved ones. Keep in mind that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends travelers avoid all nonessential travel to Mexico. The safest way to celebrate the holidays is with the people you live with at home. If you must travel beyond our borders, you will need to get tested 3-5 days after your journey and stay home for seven days after your trip. During this quarantine time, you will need to use your own personal state leave days if you are scheduled to work. Remember that you can get tested for FREE through our COVID-19 Testing Project at any campus.

Feel free to contact your principal, supervisor, or me if you have any questions. I wish you a healthy and safe Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! God bless each of you and your families.

Sincerely,

Gilbert Garza, Jr.  
Interim Superintendent

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It is the policy of Edinburg CISD not to discriminate on the basis of gender, age, handicap, religion, race, color, or national origin in its educational programs.  
Es poliza del Distrito Escolar de Edinburg el no discriminar por razones con base en genero, edad, religion, raza, color origen nacional, ni discapacidad dentro de sus programas educacionales.

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