

## **\*Midway School Reopening For In-person Instruction\***

Dear Parents/Guardians:

10/15/20

As of 10/13/20 the State announced that Kern County has moved from the Purple Tier (Tier 1) to the less restrictive Red Tier (Tier 2) on the State's COVID-19 blueprint. This means that after a mandatory two-week waiting period, school districts may choose to physically re-open as early as Wednesday, Oct. 28.

Midway School District is excited to announce that it will allow students to return to in-person instruction starting October 28. The School will reopen in a gradual phase approach so as best to monitor the health and safety of students and staff, while adhering to health and safety guidelines reflected in **"Midway's Reopening Plan"** prepared in accordance with current guidance from the California Department of Public Health. Please make sure that you review the reopening plan on our school website ([midwayschooldistrict.org](http://midwayschooldistrict.org) / Accountability / Reopening School Plan) with your child/children for important information that will assist in preparing them with current required protocols. Start dates for each grade are as follows; and they will continue to attend school from that date forward:

10/28/20	Kindergarten
11/2/20	1 <sup>st</sup> grade, 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade, 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade
11/9/20	4 <sup>th</sup> grade, 5 <sup>th</sup> grade, 6 <sup>th</sup> grade
11/11/20	Veterans Day – No School
11/12/20	7 <sup>th</sup> grade, 8 <sup>th</sup> grade

### Daily Schedule:

Front Gate Opens at 7:40 for student drop-off

School Starts - 7:50 a.m.

School Dismissal - 1:30 p.m.

### If Student Continues to Distance Learn From Home:

Student will be required to stay on a set schedule that will allow them to receive assignments, turn in work and receive any support they might require from their teacher (7:50-1:30). Full accountability and grading expectations will be consistent with students attending school in-person. **\*\*Must notify Midway School by 10/26/20 if participating in distance learning, this will help us with the necessary preparations\*\***

### Important Protocol Items:

- 3<sup>rd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> grades are required to wear a face mask on campus (please bring your own).
- Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> grade & 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are strongly encouraged to wear a face mask or face shield on campus.
- All students riding the bus will be required to wear a face mask.
- Bring a water bottle to school – students will be able to refill in their classrooms.

Together we can make our reopening a safe and positive experience that will hopefully bring some sense of normalcy for all of us. Thank you again for your cooperation through these incredibly challenging times. Please don't hesitate to call us for any clarification or suggestions you might have, 661-768-4344.

Al Quezada

Superintendent/Principal

