

November 30th, 2020

To: All Spectrum Families

Re: Two Important Items: (1) A second opportunity to be on-campus, and (2) Help Spectrum raise funds to help our students by filling out a form

Second opportunity to be on-campus

Even though Spectrum is currently in a full-time distance learning model, approximately 100 students are continuing to attend on campus (*since Tuesday, November 17th*). This opportunity is for ALL students who would like a safe place to do their work, where they have (1) limited distractions, (2) access to reliable internet, a (3) structured bell schedule, (4) technology staff available, (5) access to unique spaces (gym and music room), (5) lunch, and (6) transportation. Many who are attending on-campus say they have been able to get a lot accomplished and stay on top of their learning.



Spectrum recognizes that circumstances change and is providing another opportunity for parents/students to choose this option and have their student begin attending on campus Tuesday, December 8th. *Note: Those currently attending will continue with their same schedule. If you would like for your student to join other students on campus, please [complete this survey](#) by Wednesday, December 2nd. Spectrum will analyze the survey data and respond to parents/guardians by Monday, December 8th.*

Help Spectrum raise funds to help our students by filling out a form.

I'm writing to share a way you can help raise money for Spectrum from the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) just by [completing the Application for Educational Benefits here](#) and returning it to the school. Qualifying families interested in helping to raise money for the school, should consider completing and returning the form even if they don't anticipate utilizing free or reduced-price meals.

Students in households that meet the free or reduced-price meal income guidelines generate state [compensatory revenue](#) for Spectrum. Spectrum then uses the funds to meet the needs of our students who may be behind their peers, by providing things like remedial instruction, instructional resources (including digital learning and technology), and additional teachers.

In order for Spectrum to receive this available funding from MDE, Spectrum families need to complete and return the form no later than December 15. *Spectrum will then calculate eligibility and report the information to MDE.

**Spectrum's Lunch Services Manager, Jennifer Russell, is the only person at Spectrum who reviews these applications. Your data privacy is important to us.*

Sincerely,



Dan DeBruyn
Executive Director

