



RINGGOLD SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The school year is off to a great start, and as we approach the close of the first grading period, we wanted to reach out to those families that are still utilizing our Ringgold Cyber Academy (Option #3) or the Virtual/Live (Option #2) experience and let them know that the window is open for their students to return to in-school instruction for the full classroom experience Ringgold SD offers, which includes:

- targeted reading interventions
- more hands-on activities and project-based learning options
- numerous fun and social learning opportunities associated with the Leader in Me that take place in-person during the school day

We strongly believe – and educational research supports – that for the vast majority, in-person learning with their peers is the most beneficial for children, both academically and socially. It is for this reason that in-person learning is considered the default learning option for Ringgold students, and while we recognize that some families may still need the flexibility of our other options, we expect most of those students/families utilizing those options will do so for a limited duration. Our desire is to be sensitive but also ensure that our students are successful in their academic journey through the Ringgold School District.

- We ask that parents/guardians who wish their children to return to in-school instruction let the school know upon receipt of this letter or as soon as possible.
- For those parents/guardians who wish their student to remain in the Ringgold Cyber Academy (Option #3) or in the Virtual Live Experience (Option #2) please fill out the information card that can be accessed by clicking [HERE](#) by October 28, 2022, at 3:00pm.
- Students staying in in-class instruction do not need to take any action.

Please note, students who apply and are accepted into the Ringgold Cyber Academy (Option #3) or the Virtual/Live (Option #2) experience, must still comply with all rules and expectations in order to stay in those programs. Those expectations can be viewed by clicking [HERE](#).

As always, we thank you for your continued support as we work to continue moving forwards together.

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