

## **Prentice fall return-to-school plans**

*(Questions asked by WXPB; answers provided by District Administrator Randy Bergman)*

**1. How will your district resume instruction in the fall? In-person, five days a week? Virtual instruction? A hybrid? Please provide a brief description.**

**Prentice will resume school face to face. We are going to start 5 days a week. We will provide remote instruction for those parents who will not send their students to school.**

**2. As compared to a "normal" school year, what are the major changes you anticipate making to accommodate student and staff health and safety?**

**We have already made many changes to how we will address cleaning rooms, sanitizing the building, and purchasing PPE for staff and students. This school year will not be normal again. We will do our best to be sure students are safe when at school and educate them to our fullest potential. We will provide more time for students to go outside through curriculum work, and just free time. It will take us a little time to get the students acclimated to the "new" school year, so we are going to do a lot of listening at first and help students through emotionally to create healthy students.**

**3. If you're planning on offering in-person instruction, what options do parents have if they're uncomfortable sending their child to in-person school?**

**We will be offering in-person instruction. Parents have the option of remote learning from home. We also have the Rural Virtual Academy where a few of our students went into this year because parents wanted one thing or another and not possibly in school for a while then remote learning because we had to close down for some time.**

**4. Anything else our listeners should know on the topic?**

**We care about all students and staff during this time. Everyone feels that students need to be in school to get a good education, but everyone is cautious about the Covid-19 virus knowing that it could show up at our school. Currently, we have no known cases in our school district and if everyone follows the guidelines set out by the CDC and wear a mask in public we could have a successful year. Everyone needs to help out to not spread the virus more. It can not be a political thing. Our students and staff will wear masks when they enter and are in our buildings.**