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Roscoe Collegiate ISD 2022-23 Academic Plan

To RCISD Students, Families, and Employees:

These last couple of months, RCISD has been diligently working toward formulating an academic plan for the 2022-23 school year. I would like to share that we analyzed several factors prior to making these decisions; we did not take these decision lightly. These decisions were made in the best interest of our students. Moreover, we are announcing a large portion of the plan now in order to provide our constituents the opportunity to make educated decisions about their future at RCISD.

In 2022-23, RCISD will:

ECC

The ECC campus will continue to operate in 2022-23 in the same manner as it did this year. The Montessori model will continue to be the primary method of of instruction at the ECC.

Elementary (Grades 1 – 5)

In 2022-23, the elementary campuses will incorporate changes on how we deliver instruction. Please be informed that the Montessori Model will not be the primary method of instruction. This change came about due to large numbers of low student outcomes on academic achievement tests. The low student outcomes on these tests is an indicator that our children are not mastering the state academic standards. We must take steps to correct this situation for the betterment of our children.

In the 2022-23 school year the elementary will:

- Students will be in grade specific classrooms; classrooms will only have students from one grade level.
- Students will be taught in methods that best teach the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). Students will be expected to know their grade level state standards. Moreover, students will be expected to work at the pace of the academic plan as per his/her teacher and academic planning guides.
- The Montessori manipulatives will be utilized as needed. However, please be informed that many of the Montessori methods <u>will not</u> be utilized.

Sixth Grade

The sixth grade will be part of the RCISD Secondary School for the 2022-23 school year. We anticipate our 6th graders to follow traditional academic delivery methods, utilizing academic content specific classrooms. For example, a student will take a math class with a teacher whose expertise is math. That student will have a different teacher in different classroom for English class and so forth.

I thank you for your understanding and patience as we transition into next year. The changes we are making are in the best interest of our students. I wanted to be forthcoming with information and be transparent in order for everyone to know the expectations.

We will continue to work on the 2022-23 plan. Please know that we are continuing to work through many concerns. We always aim to place the best interest of our students at the forefront of every decision. I want to thank our school board for their vision and unrelenting work to better our students. I want to thank our faculty and staff for their flexibility and hard work as we strive to make our school district the premier school district in the state. Lastly, I want to thank our students and families, you make coming to RCISD an absolute joy!! Go Plowboys and Plowgirls!!!

Gracias

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