



SKYLINE HIGH SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



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This week it finally feels a tiny bit like Fall. I see leaves of various colors beginning to fall on the campus at Skyline. The outside temperature was actually a bit cold when I left for work this morning. It was dark when I got to work. Yes, it is finally beginning to feel like Fall. We return to school in Autumn and in this one small way it feels a bit like normal.

We so appreciate the Skyline students and their willingness to be compliant with all of the continuing COVID mitigation tactics. They continue to walk down one-way hallways, attend two separate lunches, avoid bathrooms during passing time, drink only from water bottles, walk through doors on the right, and, of course, wear masks at all times. Their resiliency is impressive. While we have had a surge of cases in the larger school community (currently under the threshold of 15) there is no evidence that the spread happened at school. We hope all of the efforts to make school safe are being effective.

I have been observing a great deal in classrooms and am so impressed by the teaching and learning happening at Skyline. I know that teachers and students continue to struggle juggling the dual modality of distance learning and face-to-face learning. I am encouraged with the processes I see in the classrooms. Students are actively engaged in learning and teachers work hard to provide effective lessons. I know everyone is working diligently to make learning the constant despite all of the other things being so disrupted. This is a difficult goal. Yet, it is imperative that it remains our focus throughout this time despite the difficult nature of things right now.

Skyline High School will work to continue to provide the state's best education by providing the best instruction despite how difficult and different things continue to be right now. We will be successful thanks to the amazing students who attend Skyline and their families who are so supportive. I want to thank everyone who has expressed their support. This has come by way of thoughtful communication or helpful feedback. It has come by the facilitation of learning at home and at school. It comes by your diligence in keeping students safe while at school and especially away from it. Together we will continue to succeed and make Skyline High School the very best high school in Utah.

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