Good evening parents, students, and staff members of the Randolph County School System,

This is Stephen Gainey. I want to begin by saying "thank you" to all of our parents, students, and staff members for your help with the start of the 2020-2021 school year this week. It has been great to have our students and staff members back on campuses throughout our school system. As we move to the first weekend of the 2020-2021 school year, I want to remind everyone of the following items associated with our school system's plan for the 2020-2021 school year:

- 1) In an effort to limit the exposure of schools to possible cross-contamination, visitors and parents will not be permitted to enter the buildings. As a result, parents will not be permitted to walk students down the halls in a school. Staff members will welcome students at the front doors of the school on a daily basis.
- 2) All individuals on a school's campus or other facility in the school system will be expected to wear a cloth face covering at all times.
- 3) Each day, when entering school, the temperature of every student will be checked. If a child's temperature is 100.4 degrees or higher, the child's parent will be called immediately to come to the school's campus to check him/her out of school to go home. In addition, if a student answers "yes" to at least one question on the daily assessment check-in conducted when the child enters the building, the child's parent will be called immediately to come to the school's campus to check him/her out of school to go home. In both cases, the child's healthcare provider or Randolph County Public Health should be contacted immediately by the parent. Please note that the set of questions to be used with the daily assessment check-in for students is posted on the webpage of your child's school as well as the school system's webpage.
- 4) The school system needs the help of all parents in terms of keeping sick children at home. If your child is sick, or has one of the symptoms on the daily assessment check-in form, please keep your child at home and contact his/her healthcare provider or Randolph County Public Health.

In closing, please know that I greatly appreciate everyone's help with the start of the 2020-2021 school year. I am confident that if we stick together as a "team," the 2020-2021 school year will be a great one.

This message also will be posted on the homepage of the school system's webpage for your reference.

I hope everyone has a great night!!!!