## LISD Elementary Families,

Beginning Friday, Feb. 5, families may change their student's learning pathway using the learning pathway change form found in your <u>Skyward Family Access</u> account. If you do not intend to change your student's learning pathway, please disregard this email. You only need to access and submit this form if you are wanting to change your learning pathway for the 4th 9-week grading period, which begins March 9. Your change must be made by Feb. 19, two weeks prior to the start of the 4th nine weeks. If you do not complete the form, your child will continue in their current learning pathway. Campuses will be unable to accommodate requests that come in after the Feb. 19 deadline.

As a reminder, students in grades Pre-K-5 have two learning pathway choices. Please note, learning pathway changes may result in teacher changes for students. Learn more about each choice:

- <u>In-Person</u>
- <u>Virtual</u>

We also want to make you aware that TEA recently released guidance for spring STAAR assessments (grades 3-12) and is requiring students to take tests in person, including those on the virtual learning pathway. Families will be provided additional information in the coming weeks.

## **CLASS SIZES**

A common question we receive is about class sizes, and why in-person classes are not smaller due to some students learning virtually from home. While there may be a smaller number of students learning in person, there are also fewer in-person teachers. Consequently, in-person class sizes are expected to be about the same size as usual.

It is important families submit pathway change forms as soon as possible as this allows campuses time to make staffing adjustments for both in-person and virtual learning. Each time the pathway change period opens, classes and teachers are shifted to accommodate requests, and it is possible a student may have a different teacher for the 4th nine weeks.

## TECHNICAL HELP

Some common technical issues and answers for you:

- <u>Skyward Password/Login Issues</u>
- Step-by-Step Directions on Accessing/Submitting the Learning Pathway Change Form
- Editing the Learning Pathway Change Form After Submission

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