

July 22

To all USD 345 staff and families:

Today's Kansas State Board of Education meeting failed to garner the necessary six votes to approve Governor Kelly's delay to the start of school until after Labor Day. This vote by the state board of education returns the decision on when to start school to our Seaman USD 345 School Board; therefore, a special board meeting has been called for Monday, July 27 at 6:00 pm. Due to COVID restrictions, in-person guests will be limited, but the meeting will be live streamed on our [YouTube channel](#).

The district's calendar committee will be reassembling this week to work on a recommendation of a revised school calendar for the board to consider. The Seaman USD 345 School Board will then meet, as stated above, to discuss and vote on the final version of the 2020-21 "Ready to Reopen (R2R)" plan, the start of school date, and the 2020-21 school calendar.

I'm proud of the efforts by so many folks in our community who have provided feedback and ideas to build the best learning options for our students. I especially want to thank our students, teachers, and others who are currently working on the calendar committee and have contributed to the R2R Task Force throughout the summer.

Thank you for your continued support and patience as we move closer to revealing and approving our R2R plan and school calendar that prioritizes the health and safety of our students, staff, and community while continuing a world class education under our vision of #LearningWithoutLimits.

Sincerely,

Dr. Steve P. Noble  
Superintendent