

Hawk Family News
January 10, 2021

Dear Hawk Families,

I held on scheduling this message to be sent to you in the hope that we would receive notification from Superintendent Winter before my usual 6 PM deadline. It is after 6 PM and we haven't heard anything, so I am sending this without knowing about tomorrow. I would like to thank all of you for your extraordinary patience and understanding as we've addressed the final details in order to have SK Flex students attend school on campus tomorrow. Let's hope we receive an email soon.

Brenda Ward, Principal

Cookie & Craft Social: Remember that all Hidden Creek students are invited to a special Zoom session with Mrs. Ward and Mrs. Del. We are hoping to have some other staff join us as we provide an opportunity for students to socialize with one another and create their winter craft. All students have a special zoom link in their Google Classroom, along with the time for their grade level to meet. Mrs. Del and I are looking forward to spending time with students!

SK Flex Parent Information: You all were sent an email this morning with important information about routines and procedures for on campus learning during SK Flex. Our procedures and routines are very stringent, but absolutely essential to minimize the health risks to staff and students. While it will be very different than school under "normal" circumstances, we will do what it takes to have students back on campus and being with both their teachers and peers. There are requirements that will cause hardship on families and heartache for staff, who want students to be able to attend every day. Please keep in mind the following:

- Attestations must be completed every day. If/when they are not, we only have one staff member exclusively designated to make phone calls to complete a special attestation form for each student in this circumstance. The calls take time and your child will not go to class until we can reach you. We understand this will happen at times, but hopefully it will not be an issue that causes students to miss class for a long period of time.
- Be overly diligent and attentive to the symptoms associated with COVID-19. They are listed on the flowchart that is attached to this email. A print copy will be sent home with your student on the first day of school. If your child attends school and exhibits or expresses complaints about having a symptom on the flowchart, they will be sent home and cannot return to school until the steps described on the flowchart are completed. If this occurs, all students who live in your household and attend any South Kitsap school must be picked up as well, whether or not they are exhibiting symptoms.

Phone calls to parents for either of the above items will certainly occur. They will be inconvenient for you and may cause frustration. Please remember that staff members who are making the calls to you are following district procedures, which are enforced by the building principal. Even though it is hard for staff to make those calls and even more difficult for families to come and pick up their children unexpectedly, I want every Hidden Creek family to be assured that we will be diligent in adhering to the required health and safety protocols we've been given. We need your cooperation and support so we can continue to have students on campus without interruption through the end of the school year. Thank you in advance for your support!

Important Forms for SK Flex Parents: Included in this email are links to three important documents you will need in the event you do not have a print copy. The first two items were in each SK Flex student's supplies for pick up last Wednesday. They are:

Parent COVID-19 Letter- This needs to be completed and returned to school no later than Tuesday. After Tuesday, it must be delivered to the school office directly before your child can return to school on Thursday, January 14.

COVID 19 Daily Attestation Forms- You will need one for each child in your household completed and signed daily, unless you are completing the attestation in Skyward.

COVID 19 Symptom Flowchart- We use the staff version of this flowchart on a regular basis. This student version will assist you if you have a student experiencing a symptom that could be related to COVID-19.

You can access the files online using the following links:

COVID Forms in English

<https://hiddencreek.skschools.org/cms/One.aspx?pageId=15986558&portalId=59160&objectId.213481=30318533&contextId.213481=15986559&parentId.213481=15986560>

COVID Forms in Spanish

<https://hiddencreek.skschools.org/cms/One.aspx?pageId=15986558&portalId=59160&objectId.213481=30318534&contextId.213481=15986559&parentId.213481=15986560>

SK Flex Schedule for Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fridays:

Morning Session-Students with last name A-K:

8:55 am- Students arrive and go to classrooms

9:05 am- School begins

11:35 am- Students dismissed

Afternoon Session- Students with last name L-Z:

1:00 pm- Students arrive and go to classrooms

1:10 pm- PM Session starts

3:40 pm- Students dismissed

Need to Know Your Child's Bus Route? The following link will take you to web page where you can enter your address and find the bus routes, as well as pick up and drop off times for each stop.

<http://www.infofinderi.com/ifi/?cid=SKS53VN93ENL>

As always, I encourage you to reach out to me with questions. You may call the school office for assistance at 360-443-3050 or email me at ward@skschools.org. I have limited availability by phone during the day, but feel free to leave a message with the office and I will return your call as soon as possible.

Brenda Ward, Principal