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Pleasant Hill Elementary

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Office Hours: 7:30—4:00 p.m., Mon. - Fri. Grab and Go Meals: 11:00 - 1:00 p.m., Mon. - Fri., PHHS

This week, our first week of instruction, we welcomed 411 students to Pleasant Hill Elementary. One hundred seventy-two students, K-3, are participating in a blend of face-to-face instruction with distance learning. Two hundred forty-two students, grades K-5, are participating in our comprehensive, full-time, on-line distance learning.

Thank you for partnering with us as we navigate the 2020-21 school year. This year promises to be a year like no other. We greatly appreciate your grace, patience and support as we move forward with the 2020-2021 school year.

Seesaw, Text Messages and Email

Last week our community experienced the threat of wildfires, air quality issues and power outages causing the delay of starting instruction by a week. Many of you have expressed you did not receive information regarding the daily school schedule.

This year we are using Seesaw schoolwide not only as our learning management tool, but for family communication and engagement. If you have not set-up your student's or your family's account, please contact your student's teacher for assistance. As we learn of closures or delays from our district office, we will always post a message on Seesaw. In addition, we will be posting reminders for families of upcoming opportunities as well as the daily grab and go menu starting Monday.

If you did not receive text messages or emails from Pleasant Hill School District office, please verify your phone number and email address with our office. The district uses a service called Blackboard which pulls contact information from the registration materials families filled out.

This is also a great time to update your student's contact information, if you or your selected emergency contacts have a new phone number, in case your child would become ill at school, we can reach you or your designated emergency contact. Please call our office at 541-736-0400 to update your contact information.

Parent Drop-Off / Pick Up

If you have a student attending the morning session who needs to be dropped off in both the K / 1 and 2 / 3 loop, we are going make things easier for you. Simply drop off your students in the K / 1 loop. At loading time, we will have your 2 / 3 student join your K / 1 student in the K / 1 loop.

Starting Monday afternoon, those students attending the afternoon session we are going to ask all families to use the K / 1 drop off loop in front of the office for all students.

Then in the afternoon, plan on picking up all students K-3 in the loop in front of the office as well. Thank you to families who are helping keep our busy drop-off and loading zones safe for students. We appreciate families who

are remembering to stay in their cars while in the unloading lane and continuing to move forward as space becomes available, which helps to keep traffic moving.

If you want to meet your student at the end of their session, we ask that you wear a mask, park in a parking space and walk up to the sidewalk, instead of exiting your car in the loading / unloading lane.

Attendance

This year Oregon Department of Education is requiring all district to take daily attendance of who is attending school either on-site or via distance learning. Attending zoom lessons and completing daily assignments online count. If your child is going to be absent, missing instruction, please **call the elementary attendance line at (541) 736-0411. Leave a message stating your child's name, grade and reason for the absence.** Otherwise, you will be receiving a phone call from our office to verify your child's absence.

Food Service Update

The Oregon Department of Education has approved schools operating under the National School Lunch program to administer the Seamless Summer program, like we did last spring, which provides FREE meals to all youth 18 years old and younger through December 2020.

Students who attend daily on-site instruction will be provided meals if you so desire. Please let your student's teacher know your wishes for breakfast and lunch during the morning session or lunch and breakfast in the afternoon session. On Fridays, you may pick up meals at Pleasant Hill High School from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Students participating in our comprehensive distance learning program may pick up grab and go meals Monday - Friday at Pleasant Hill High School from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Bus Transportation

First Student Transportation is the district transportation provider. Thank you for being flexible with the schedule they have provided. First student tries their best to estimate what time your child will be picked up or arrive home each day by providing you with 5-minute window as to when a bus can be at your stop.

September 24th, your student maybe arriving home 5 minutes later than normal. First Student bus drivers will be teaching our students what to do on the bus in case of an emergency in which the students would need to evacuate the bus. This instruction will take place following our morning session.

If you have questions or concerns related to transportation, please contact First Student at 541-688-0454, the main office in Bethel. If your concerns are not addressed, please feel free to contact me, Devery Stoneberg, at 541-736-0400, as well.

Materials Distribution Day

Starting in the month of October, we will be hosting a materials distribution day on the third Friday of every month from 11:00 - 1:00 p.m. Mark your calendar, October 16th will be our first distribution day.

Your classroom teacher will let you know if there will be materials such as art supplies, science kits, music kits, textbook, etc. to pick up to support distance learning. We will also be sending out reminders via Seesaw and email the week prior.

Up Coming Events

Sept. 18 - Friday, distance learning for all check out Seesaw
Sept. 22 - PTO meeting, be watching for a link sent via Seesaw
Sept. 24 - School bus evacuation drill day
Sept. 26 - Friday, distance learning for all check out Seesaw