



# BILLIE NEWS!



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*Vision Statement: Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow*

## Pleasant Hill Elementary

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## Gratitude is Attitude



Gratitude is being thankful for what we have and kindness shown to us. We have so much to be grateful for!

Our PHES Community Food Drive was a huge success. Thank you for donating canned goods to help others in our community.

Thank you to our PHES PTO for providing each student with a book. Every month this year, our PTO will be providing students with a new book in place of field trips as books can take you places you might not get to go. In addition, creating a monthly book challenge for students encouraging reading and supporting literacy.

Crystal Holmes, thank you for arranging and coordinating the first PHES On-line book fair. Thank you to all of our families who support literacy and have visited the on-line book fair.

## Limited-in-Person Instruction

Starting, today, November 30<sup>th</sup>, we are able to begin offering 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students only Limited-in-Person Instruction. This instruction is designed to provide students with 2 hours, 1:00 -3:00 p.m., of instruction Monday - Thursday. This will be in addition, to our K-3 Exemption, on-site instruction from either 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. or 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Students were selected based upon their need for either acceleration or intervention supplementary instruction. Students selected continue to participate in distance learning, core instruction, in the mornings and come to school for this optional, supplemental instruction.

We are able to offer bus service to students participating in the 4 / 5 Limited-in-Person instruction. Students riding the bus will arrive on campus at 12:50 p.m. They will enter the building via the back stairwell walking directly to class. Those whose parents are driving them will drop off at the front doors, no earlier than 12:50 p.m. Students will head directly to class.

As the students arrive in class, teachers will be meeting them at the door performing a visual screening, as required as part of our Ready Schools, Safe Learner Operational Blueprint, available at [www.pleasanthill.k12.or.us](http://www.pleasanthill.k12.or.us), as approved by Oregon Department of Education and Lane County Public Health, consisting of:

- Unusual coloration appearance (flushed / pale)
- Unusual behavior (behavior change, lethargy, unusual fatigue)

- New or significant coughing
- Respiratory symptoms not typical for student
- Shortness of breath
- Chills
- Vomiting

Followed by washing their hands with either soap or water or hand sanitizer before beginning instruction.

Students will be dismissed at 2:55 p.m. to board buses. Teachers will walk students being picked up by families to front of the building at 3:00 p.m. Please remember this year we are using pause parking, pull up along the sidewalk allowing your student to either enter or exit the car before pulling away.

## Transportation

First Student is our transportation provider this year. The team at First Student have been hard at work planning how to safely transport your student this year. We ask you to please take time to review with your student the bus rules.

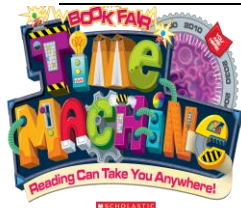
- Please have your face covering on before the bus pulls up to your stop. Please keep your face covering on while riding on the bus.
- When you get on the bus please go to your assigned seat, sit down and remain seated until you get to school or home.
- We are loading the bus from the back to the front. Siblings must sit together.
- No playing, touching, or moving around to sit with other students on the bus
- When the bus comes to a complete stop, the driver will let you know when you can stand up to exit the bus.
- Buses are cleaned after each route. All seats and high touched areas are cleaned with a disinfectant.
- The Drivers at First Student are looking forward to being a part of keeping everyone safe and healthy this school year.

## Student Safety

Student safety at school is our first and most important priority not only in school, but in our parking lot and drop off area this year. We appreciate everyone pulling into the loading and unloading lanes, pausing as your child gets out and then moving on to keeping traffic flowing in the parking lot.

Here are just a few reminders about what parents can do to help keep Pleasant Hill Elementary students be safe:

- In the morning K / 1 and siblings parent drop off and pick up takes place in the front of the school.
- In the morning 2 / 3 parent drop off and pick up takes place in the front of the large gate in the gravel parking lot leading to the playground.
- Pre-school morning drop off is in the gravel parking lot along the straight sidewalk.
- Katie's Lane is closed to daily car traffic during school hours, 7:00 - 4:00 p.m., This year Katie's Lane is reserved for busing, as well as the U in front of the library every day.
- In the afternoon all K-3 students are dropped off and picked up in front of the school.
- 4 / 5 students participating in Limited-in-Person Instruction are dropped off in front of the office.



## Pleasant Hill Elementary Scholastic On-line Book Fair November 21st - December 4<sup>th</sup>

Our Book Fair is online! Support our school and help your child discover new books, favorite characters, complete series and more! You'll love the fun new option to shop for Book Fair

exclusives directly from the interactive booklist and enjoy free shipping on the book-only purchases over \$25.

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/homepage.do?method=homepage&url=pleasanthillelementarysch4>

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## Bad Weather, School Delays or Closures

This is a reminder that school closures, delays, or changes in bus routes, snow routes, may result from emergencies such as inclement weather conditions. School decisions are typically made by 6:00 a.m. after transportation personnel have examined the local conditions if we can safely bring everyone to school or we need to either delay the start of school or cancel school for the day.

When weather related emergencies occur, announcements are usually broadcast by the local television media (KEZI, KVAL, KMTR, KLSR) and announced on radio stations (such as KUGN, KPNW, AND KEED/KSND). The media obtains and broadcast their information from Flash News, [www.flashnews.net](http://www.flashnews.net). You will also be getting messages via the districts messaging system Blackboard in the form of a Robo call, text message and email message.

In addition, this year we will be putting out an announcement via Seesaw to all of our elementary families. Instead of closing schools for weather events, we will move everyone to distance learning for the day. The difference will be teachers will not be providing live zoom lessons. The expectation will be students are completing lessons via Lexia Core 5, Dreambox, Reflex, Seesaw activities and spending minimum 20 minutes for the day.

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## Do You Have a New Phone Number?

If you, or any of your emergency contacts, have changed phone numbers recently please make sure you have notified the school office. It is extremely important this information is kept up to date so that we can reach you in the event of an emergency or your child becomes ill at school.

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## LATE STUDENTS MISS OUT...

During the school year, parents have the important responsibility of seeing that students establish patterns for punctuality and good attendance. The patterns established during these years very often become life patterns. If your student is late for school either in-person or on zoom...

- They may feel conspicuous and embarrassed when entering the room late.
- They miss morning greetings from their teacher and their classmates.
- They will miss the group experience of starting a new school day together.
- They will miss the important instruction given at the start of a lesson.
- They may feel pressure from having to catch up.

Children like to feel that they belong to their group of classmates. Teachers try to make every member of the class feel that they belong and are important to the group. Please help by seeing that your child is in class as close to possible.

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## Chromebook Updates

Pleasant Hill School District computers are not designed for extra extensions, watching movies, extensive searches unrelated to student assignments. These Chromebooks basically are designed to run the programs and apps the district has selected to use this year. We are asking that you assist your student uninstalling any apps / extensions such as wallpapers, games, virtual pets, etc. so that these devices will run at their maximum capacity for school purposes.

In addition, the Chromebooks need to be restarted at least weekly. This updates apps (Zoom, etc.) and operating systems (Chrome OS) to the newest and best for the systems. (Just closing the lid does not accomplish this)

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Step 1: Press and hold the *Power* button.

Step 2: The screen dims, and a pop-up appears. Click the *Power Off* button.

Step 3: Press your Chromebook's *Power* button to restart.

### When Should I Keep My Child Home?

Student's Symptoms or Illness	Student May Return to School When*
<b>Fever:</b> temperature by mouth greater than 100.4 degrees	No fever for at least 72 hours without the use of fever reducing medicine.
<b>Skin rash</b> or open sores	Rash is gone; sores are dry or can be completely covered by a bandage; or with orders from doctor to school nurse.
New <b>Cough</b> illness	In general, when symptom-free for 72 hours. If pertussis (whooping cough) is diagnosed, after taking 5-day course of prescribed antibiotics, or when cleared for return by local public health authority. If COVID-19 is diagnosed, with orders from local public health authority.
<b>Diarrhea:</b> 3 loose or watery stools in one day <b>OR</b> newly not able to control bowel movements	Symptom-free for 48 hours.
<b>Vomiting</b>	Symptom-free for 48 hours.
<b>Headache</b> with stiff neck and fever; <b>OR</b> with recent head injury	Symptom-free or with orders from doctor to school nurse.
<b>Jaundice:</b> (new) yellow color in eyes or skin	After orders from doctor or local public health authority to school nurse.
<b>Red eyes or eye discharge:</b> yellow or brown drainage from eyes	Redness and discharge is gone <b>OR</b> with orders from doctor to school nurse.

### Materials Distribution Day for All Distance Learning Families

Friday, December 11, we will be hosting our first monthly materials distribution day from 10:45 - 12:45 p.m. Please plan to swing into the loading and unloading zone to pick up your student's materials, which their teachers have prepared. K / 1 materials will be available in front of the office, 2 / 3 materials available in front of the cafeteria and 4 / 5 materials in front of the library.

If you are unable to attend, materials will be available the following week in front office foyer, 7:30 - 3:45 p.m.

### Up Coming Events

November 21<sup>st</sup> - December 4<sup>th</sup> - Pleasant Hill Elementary On-line Bookfair is open!

November 30<sup>th</sup> - 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Limited -in-Person begins for 4<sup>th</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup> grade students only if your student was selected to participate.

December 4<sup>th</sup> - Distance Learning Day for All, be watching for a Seesaw message from your teacher.

December 8<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 p.m. PTO Mtg via zoom. The link will be sent out via Seesaw on Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.

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December 11<sup>th</sup> - 10:45 - 12:45 p.m. Materials Distribution Day for Distance Learning Families only.

December 18<sup>th</sup> - Last Day of School before Winter Break.