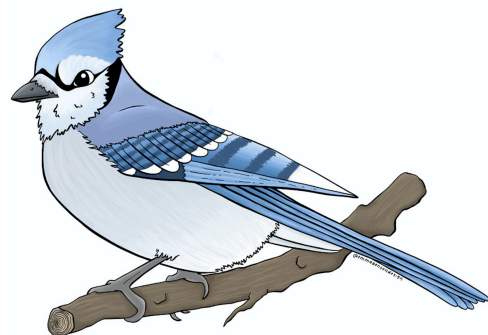


Brookside Elementary Principal's Message

3/10/20



Greetings Brookside Families,

A great deal has occurred since my last Principal's Message at the end of February, but our kids and staff at Brookside are working as hard as ever. We do have some families who have opted to keep their children at home due concerns around COVID-19. Our school and district respect these individual family decisions. However, for the vast majority of our students, the school day continues as a mainstay of their week that provides some sense of normalcy in this period that is far from normal.

Here are some reminders for you...

How Do I Stay Informed?

The best method is to check the Shoreline district website.

- **District Homepage:** <https://www.shorelineschools.org/>
- **District Coronavirus (COVID-19) Information and Resources:** <https://www.shorelineschools.org/Domain/1960>

Who Can Answer My Questions?

We are glad to help you connect with the most accurate information. Use these contacts to get your specific questions answered.

- **District Nurse Hotline:** our lead district nurse is available to discuss health-related questions with you. She can be reached at 206/393-4687 or coronavirus.questions@shorelineschools.org. Voicemails will get callbacks within 24-hours
- **Washington State Hotline:** the Washington State Department of Health has a novel coronavirus call center at 800/525-0127 - press # once the call goes through.
- **Brookside Office:** if you have Brookside-specific questions, give us a call on the main line, 206/393-4140. We will answer your questions or connect you with the person who can. ☺

Who Do I Contact Regarding An Absence?

Just like any other time of year, if your child is absent for any reason, be sure to let our front office know at 206/393-4140 or bks.attendance@shorelineschools.org. Please contact us each day that your child is absent unless it is a pre-arranged extended absence. Please contact your child's teacher regarding missed assignments.

How Do I Report a Potential COVID-19 Exposure to Brookside?

If you believe that your family has been exposed to COVID-19 outside of school, follow the instructions of your healthcare provider and the most current guidance from our district & public health agencies. You can let us know of potential exposures by speaking to our school nurse, Mrs. Woods. Call us at 206/393-4140.

Thank you for your ongoing support to our school and students,
Principal John Simard