

# Butteville Union Elementary School

Home of the Eagles

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Dear Butteville Parents and Families,

On Friday, February 21, 2020 we pumped our septic tank and discovered that our septic leach lines may be compromised. Monday morning, February 24, 2020 we learned that our septic tank had refilled completely with drainage from the leach lines. A Siskiyou County inspector and septic consultant came to the school on Monday to survey the situation. We closed school for the rest of the day until we could pump the septic on Tuesday morning. After talking with Kermith Walters, Superintendent of Siskiyou County Office of Education, we ordered porta potties and washing stations to be delivered on Monday afternoon to help reduce sewage demands on our system. This is a temporary solution until we know more regarding the problem. Today, Jerry Lemos, the Senior Environmental Health Specialist of the County Building Department, and our septic system consultant, Bill Navarre will be conducting a groundwater feasibility test for new leach lines.

We are currently assessing the situation and identifying all possible solutions to this septic problem as quickly as possible. Please be prepared to understand that it may take several weeks to rebuild our septic system. Student health and safety is our primary concern and we will base our decisions with that in mind. If you have any questions, please direct your questions to Mr. Bragg at 938-2255. Thank you for your patience regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Eric J. Bragg  
Principal