



April 3, 2020

Hello Butteville Parents and Families,

On behalf of the Butteville administration, School Board, and staff, I would like to express gratitude for how smoothly the transfer of educational materials from school to home went this week! Teachers worked extra hard getting those supplies ready for you; they can now focus on preparing a distance learning format to assist in your child's learning at home. In light of the recent announcements that all Siskiyou County schools will remain closed for the remainder of the school year, here are some expectations as we proceed through this COVID-19 school closure:

- This week, educational materials were handed out to all families. Please make sure that you have communicated with your teacher through email, phone, Class Dojo, or any other method selected by your teacher as soon as possible!
- Chromebooks and iPads were checked out, and contract agreements signed by families, to help facilitate learning. Please make sure these devices are only used for learning purposes **as we are monitoring website searches via school devices used at home**. We also expect parents to assist in monitoring their child's usage and time on school electronic devices.
- We understand that some families may not have Internet access. Check with local cell providers to see if they can assist with your data plan to help you use your phones as Internet hotspots.
- Butteville is currently examining different options to assist families with limited or no Internet service. Please contact our office or your let your teacher know if you need Internet assistance.
- The Butteville Bulletin will become the weekly medium sent electronically to communicate any updates regarding COVID-19, distance learning, or other information.
- Meal delivery is on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday every week to anyone in need. Please send an email to [colton.chaffey@butteville.k12.ca.us](mailto:colton.chaffey@butteville.k12.ca.us) requesting this service.
- Most importantly, please remember **school is in session**. Your child is expected to follow and complete assignments as directed by teachers. Students should also expect to meet with teachers every week via distant learning platforms, for instruction and assistance with assignments.

We recognize that closing our school poses challenges and hardship to our Butteville community; however, the most effective way to slow and disrupt the transmission of this pandemic is to implement physical distancing practices. We also understand that neither you nor our staff are trained in distance learning, so communication between all of us is the key to its success. And finally, please remember to relax, breathe, and use this opportunity to really enjoy your family during this difficult time.

Let me close with saying how proud I am of the way everyone is adapting to this new reality.

Please be safe!

Sincerely,

Mr. Bragg, Principal