

Flathead Coronavirus Update June 3, 2020

Dear West Valley School District Staff and Families,

As we come to a close of the 2019-20 school year that is ending much differently than any of us anticipated, we want to thank you for your patience and flexibility during the last 12 weeks of remote learning. We also want to continue to acknowledge the tremendous strain these circumstances have placed on our families, our children, our teachers, our support staff, our administrators, our community and our economy. We know the sacrifices and changes that our families and staff have had to make in order to implement new remote learning plans, and we are grateful for the partnerships we have had during this challenging time.

As we end this school year, we want you to know that the school leaders in the Flathead Valley are already discussing plans for the opening of school this fall. We are meeting regularly and working closely with state and local leaders, including the Flathead City-County Health Department and will continue to do so throughout the summer. We are sharing ideas and working together to hopefully bring all students back to school this fall in a safe and healthy environment. While our hope and goal remains to return to school in the fall at 100% capacity, we recognize that, in light of COVID-19, we must do so with the guidance of our local health officials. As always, the safety and wellbeing of our students, families, staff and community is our highest priority.

As we begin planning for next fall, it will be helpful for us if each family completes the following survey: https://forms.gle/H5E1U61rGVVgNDUfg

Our school leaders will continue to meet throughout the summer, we will provide updates to you at minimum at the beginning of July and August. Thank you for your continued support, and we wish you all a very safe, healthy and enjoyable summer!

Sincerely, Cal Ketchum

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