

School in the fall, what will it look like?

Congratulations to the class of 2020 who were celebrated in a much different way this year (a recorded link is on our website). We begin to look towards the 2020-2021 school year and what it may look like for the continuing students.

I am aware of the challenges faced by our students, families, and staff as we have navigated Distance Learning. The pandemic has brought education into your home and our staff has been working hard to develop systems and structures to support your children. Thank you for your partnership and the important role you play in your children's education.

I know the question on the mind of most people is, what will it look like next fall? The short answer is, we are currently designing it. We are actively planning with our administrative team and your input is an important part of the planning process. Our 2020-2021 plans will be based on the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and Oregon Department of Education (ODE) guidance. It seems unlikely that we will return full-time to school buildings next fall without social distancing measures. We are developing a couple different options for learning including fully online as we have been doing, a blended model or fully in-person.

Please share your input in the Family Survey at the link at the end of this message.

While there are many uncertainties about the 2020-21 school year, our core values remain the same. We will maintain our tradition of excellence as we adapt to the rapid changes that COVID-19 has delivered on our doorstep. We are committed to providing a quality education that meets the needs of our students across a wide spectrum of learning styles and abilities. We are committed to nurturing trust and fostering caring relationships and real-world learning.

Our staff will be prepared to welcome students to the 2020-21 school year focused on a successful year of connection, learning and growth. Our plans will prioritize the health and safety of our students and staff. Most importantly, we want you to know that we are taking this opportunity to learn from the challenges of COVID-19 and our outstanding and innovative educators will be prepared to welcome your children back to a year of connection and learning next fall.

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