Dear Cache Parents & Community,

I hope this letter finds you and family safe and well. I know this past spring was challenging for you and your student(s). We do not take your efforts and support for granted, and I appreciate them both very much.

Today, I am writing to inform you of our progress in preparing for the upcoming school year. There are many questions remaining, and I do not have all the answers. We continue to get guidance from the CDC and state department about ways to mitigate the effects of COVID-19 when we return to our classrooms; however, guidance continues to be fluid and changing. I would prefer to wait until a later date to answer specific questions about what the start of school will look like, but know that we are attempting to provide as close to a traditional school schedule as possible.

For now, I have attached a copy of the amended 2020-2021 school calendar. This is something I felt needed to be communicated as soon as possible. As you can see, we have added 18 Virtual School Days to the calendar. This is in response to direction provided by the Oklahoma State Department and the need for schools to provide longer breaks and to prepare for temporary closures should they be required next winter. We learned a lot in the spring about how we might deliver lessons more effectively through technology. Yet, there is room for improvement, and we desire to do better. A few differences from last spring: the lessons will be instructive in nature, lessons will be completed for a grade, and teachers will be at the school and available to interact virtually with students. However, the virtual instruction and assignment will be flexible enough that students may complete the lesson at any time before the next school day. Utilizing these days will allow us to have a system in place and practice the transition between regular and virtual instruction in the case of a closure, and ensure the transition is much smoother for parents and students.

In the near future, I will provide more details about next year, but in the meantime, I appreciate your flexibility and support.

Chad Hance,
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## School Hours

August: 8:15 AM - 3:25 PM

### August

- AUG 10-12: Professional Day
- AUG 11: Open House
- AUG 17: First Day of School

### September

- SEPT 7: Labor Day

### October

- OCT 6: Parent/Teacher Conferences
- OCT 8: Parent/Teacher Conferences
- OCT 9: No School
- OCT 12-16: Fall Break

### November

- NOV 23-27: Thanksgiving Break

### December

- DEC 18: End of 1st Semester
- DEC 21-25: Christmas Break

### January

- JAN 4: Professional Day
- JAN 18: No School

### February

- FEB 9: Parent/Teacher Conference
- FEB 11: Parent/Teacher Conference
- FEB 12: No School

### March

- MARCH 15-19: Spring Break

### April

- APRIL 2: Good Friday No School
- APRIL 5: No School (Inclement Weather)

### May

- MAY 7: No School (Inclement Weather)
- MAY 14: No School (Inclement Weather)
- MAY 20: Last Day of School
- MAY 21: Professional Day

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**Approved by School Board on:**

June 8, 2020

**Total Days Taught:** 164

**PT Conference:** 2

**PD:** 5

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*Nolan Watson*

Board President