



April 3, 2020

To: All Mount Baker School District Parents & Guardians

Re: Updates

Dear students, staff, families and community,

Next week is our regularly scheduled spring break. To support students, families, and the community we will still be operating at some levels. Our Reverse the Baker Bus Program will continue on Tuesdays and Fridays. While teachers and administrators are on vacation, many will probably still want to stay in communication with students to encourage them to maintain a healthy schedule that includes learning as well as fun family activities.

This week we checked out 462 Chromebooks to students. If anyone has a problem with a Chromebook, please email helpdesk@student.mtbaker.wednet.edu. For families that don't have internet access in their homes, teachers are working to organize hard copies of materials that will be sent to you. Xfinity is offering free service and has opened up hotspots in the areas it covers such as parts of Deming, Kendall, and Maple Falls. For more information use this link. <https://corporate.comcast.com/covid-19>. To find hot spots that can be used by both Xfinity customers and noncustomers, go to this link <https://wifi.xfinity.com>. Mount Baker School District will have internet access in parking lots within the next two weeks. While this is not a perfect solution, it is the best we can do right now.

Governor Jay Inslee extended the "Stay at Home" proclamation from April 24th to May 4th. It is our hope that we will be back together on May 5th. Time will tell. The main thing is that everyone stays healthy. My sincere thanks to all of you who are essential workers and serving our community. Your sacrifice and dedication are appreciated and admired by all. Thanks too for everyone who is staying home, so we can all go back to normal sooner than later.

I have never been so proud of all Mount Baker School District staff. They have been working hard to plan and initiate remote learning to keep our students on track. On behalf of all of them, I would like to express my gratitude to all parents for collaborating and supporting teachers and support staff at this time. Together we can ensure all students learn, grow, and are ready for the next step in their education. Baker rocks!

I will be available all next week. The best way to reach me is to email me at msewright@mtbaker.wednet.edu. If you have a question or issue with Reverse the Baker Bus and can't find the answer on our website, please call 360-383-2024 for Child Nutrition or 360-383-2060 for Transportation.

Take care of yourselves and each other.

Sincerely,

Mary Sewright, Superintendent