



Winlock School District

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Dear Winlock Families,

August 3, 2020

This letter is to keep you informed about the plan to reopen schools on August 31.

Today the District received a letter from the Lewis County Department of Public Health which essentially closes schools to in person general instruction. This means we will not provide on-site face-to-face instruction at the start of the school year on August 31, 2020. The Health Department's decision is based on the increase in the number of COVID-19 cases in the county.

While we are disappointed and saddened for our students, the only option is to provide remote instruction beginning August 31, 2020. Anticipating the requirement to be fully remote we have been working to improve our remote learning program. We have learned from our experience in the spring. We are committed to providing a much stronger remote learning model that will be an improved learning experience for our students. Here are some highlights of the Winlock Remote Model:

1. All students will be issued a District Chromebook. Families who have limited online support can request a filtered "hot spot" that will be issued by the district.
2. The student schedule will more closely follow an in-person model.
3. Student attendance is online and will be taken daily as required by the state.
4. The curriculum will be aligned to our state and local standards.
5. We will use Google Classroom as the consistent online learning platform for parent communication and student assignments K-12.
6. We will provide training for students, parents, and staff on how to effectively use Google Classroom.
7. We have adopted Ready Math curriculum for grades K-8 and Discovery Math for grades 9-12. Winlock Miller is also currently looking into a supplemental online reading curriculum in addition to its current curriculum.
8. Students will receive a combination of scheduled real-time and recorded instruction. In addition, teachers will establish office hours for students needing to check-in or to receive individual support.
9. Student assignments and test will count towards their final grade.
10. Students with an Individual Education Plan will be contacted by their case manager/teacher.
11. Students will have the option of participating in after school activities and sports when and if they become available.

I understand families will have additional questions as we move forward. Now that we have a specific direction, each school will provide you with additional specific information about your student's program.

Sincerely,

Garry Cameron
Superintendent
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