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Superintendent's Letter

On Friday April 24th, your trustees met to decide whether to bring our students back on May 7th. (Governor's proclamation)

After deliberating on the matter and following my recommendation your trustees voted to continue with distance learning for the remainder of the year.

We will follow the same calendar, with the last day for school on May 28th.

This has been a difficult time for students, staff, and parents. I want to thank everyone for trying and helping as we continue educating from afar. We will continue to put out announcements for packet pickup and if you have any questions, call your child's teacher or principal.

On Wednesday April 29th, I had the opportunity to witness and take part of Arlee pride in its finest. Many worked behind the scenes to set up a parade, lighting of the A, and a firework show for all.

Once again it shows Arlee has a great deal to be proud of. Your staff and community put our students first at all times. It truly makes me proud and an honor to be your superintendent. A huge thank you to all who provided a special night for our students and community.

Take care, be safe and together we will get through this difficult time!

- Superintendent Baldwin

Elementary News

Hello Arlee Community,

We are in the midst of a crazy and challenging time at Arlee Elementary. I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to our Arlee families. The support that you all have had for our students and teachers is greatly appreciated!

We are going to continue to offer online education until the last day of school, May 28th. We are working on a plan for that last week of school for student items to be picked up and chromebooks to be turned in. Please keep an "eye" on your email and social media. As soon as we have things finalized we will let you know.

We will be sending all report cards home in the mail. They will be sent out around the first week of June. Please watch for them in your mailbox!

Kindergarten registration can be completed online. Please email me at atanner@arleeschools.org and I will get as much information to you as possible. I realize that not everyone has the capabilities of online access. During the week of May 25th we will have someone in the elementary office to help process registration forms. PLEASE remember, we will need a copy of the child's birth certificate and immunizations. I will keep you posted on dates and times when the office will be open. I can't WAIT to see our future Scarlets & Warriors!

Finally, I would like to thank all of you for coming out Wednesday night for the teacher parade. I can promise you that our Arlee teachers miss our students! Many tears were shed by staff when they were able to put "eyes" on their students. I can speak for all of the elementary staff when I say that we are truly honored to be a part of this small, special and unique community.

Please stay safe and healthy! Hug your child a little extra for all of us and "keep on keeping on".

-Mrs. Tanner

Ancestors By Aaliyah Jackson, Grade 6

Encouraging you to pull your mocassins forward
And dance to the rhythm of the sacred drum
All you hear around are jingles and a rhythm
Your heart keeps pounding
With the touch of the pow wow floor
All the attention is on you
Feel the love between everyone dancing
With you which feels special
The breeze blows in your face
Making your feathers fly in the sky
Think about everyone you are dancing for
How happy they are watching you from above
In the heavens
It is good to be indigenous

High School News

GRADUATION

Spring is a busy and exciting time in the life of a high school senior. Seniors eagerly await graduation as well as the numerous end of the year activities that will be a part of their fond memories of Arlee High School. At the same time, they are beginning to think about life after high school. The challenges they face in today's society are daunting, but we believe they will successfully meet those challenges and make the world a better place. **THANK YOU** for giving us the opportunity to educate your children and prepare them for their future.

The emotions of all participants in the graduation ceremony are intense and run the full gamut as students, parents, family and community members each process the end of one part of life and the beginning of another for members of the graduating class. There are feelings of pride,

accomplishment, sadness, and pure joy. It is the goal of the school staff to conduct an orderly, dignified ceremony that permits each family member to appropriately hear and view the commencement ceremony.

We at Arlee High School look forward to the graduation ceremonies and we know that you do too. Please speak with your student regarding responsible decision-making. The class advisors and administration have met with the senior class to review expectations for graduation. The Class of 2020 has earned the right to a memorable and spectacular graduation. We ask for your assistance in making this happen.

It is important that students remain respectful throughout the entire graduation ceremony. The ceremony is intended to be a formal, personal, meaningful and memorable experience. The goal of our district is to continue the tradition and make this year's graduation a special celebration for the graduates of the Class of 2020, their families, the school staff and the community. The ceremony usually takes less than two hours to complete, and there are ample opportunities for enthusiastic celebration at the conclusion of the ceremony.

Any student who is disruptive during the ceremony will be asked to leave, regardless of whether he/she has walked across the stage. It is not the intent of the school to embarrass any student or his/her family by removing a graduate from the exercises. Our goal is to ensure that no one is denied the opportunity to observe the graduation of their child because another graduate is inconsiderate. It is important that you discuss the serious consequences of inappropriate behavior with your child well in advance of the May 24th ceremony.

Thank You
James A. Taylor, Principal
Arlee High School



I sewed 100 washable hospital masks for our local hospital, St. Luke, for my 2020 National Honor Society project. My sewing skills are far from perfect, so with the guidance of my mom this project was completed in well over 30 hours over several weeks. On top of the time it took to cut fabric, sew, and thread the elastic, I drove to the hospital to pick up more elastic pieces as well as purchased elastic myself.

This project was super fun and I'm continuing to sew and make masks for other people.- Peyton Lammerding



ARLEE EAGLES CLUB EARTH DAY PROJECTS



Gardening, Recycling, & Litter Clean Up in the Jocko River



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Distance Learning Gardening, Planting, & Recycling in the

