



**Arlee School District**



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## **Back-to-School 2020**

### **Superintendent's Letter**

Dear Arlee Community,

The time for school is upon us and we are so happy to have the opportunity to be involved in the education of children. I once read that if you are planning for a year, plant rice, if you are planning for ten years, plant a tree, but if you are planning for a lifetime, educate a child. The staff at Arlee Public Schools takes this responsibility seriously and will work hard to ensure that each student is allowed the opportunity to achieve their full potential.

The school will put a special emphasis on respect and responsibility. This means respect for the individual student and respect between students. Responsibility will also be stressed. Responsibility for one's actions is a sign of maturity and as students get older we all expect more from each of them.

I would like to encourage your input and comments at any time throughout the year. Communication at school, when passed along by students may sometimes become distorted and I would ask that questions about classroom procedures be addressed first to the teacher. I believe we have a tremendous staff and most problems can be solved by directly speaking with them. If you feel that your concern has not been addressed in a satisfactory manner then feel free to contact the administration.

The year 2020-2021 is going to be a great year for staff, students and community members. We want to share the joy of the educational experience with you and your students and look forward to a great school year.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments.

Superintendent Mike Perry, Ed.D.

## Elementary News

Dear Arlee Families -

Wow! What a crazy six months we have all been surviving through! Thank you for your patience while we figured out our educational plan to start the school year. Arlee Elementary is offering two different options for instruction to start the 2020-2021 school year.

**Option 1:** In-class instruction. In-class instruction will be from 9am - 3 pm. In-class instruction will follow the 2020-2021 school calendar (M-Th with some Fridays). Buses will be picking up and dropping off kids. However, if you have the capability to drop off and pick up your child we would greatly appreciate it. Otherwise, we will ask students to sit with family members on the bus to help reduce the chance of spreading unwanted germs.

**Option 2:** Online instruction (Also following the school calendar M-TH with some Fridays).. This will be similar to how we ended the school year last year. We are working on curriculum improvements to enhance the quality of instruction for our online students and will continue to make sure we are doing the best we can in this situation. Teachers will be available to assist throughout the day as much as possible. However, the times they will be online will depend on their individual class schedule. We will have a more concrete schedule for online learning as we move closer to the August 24th start date. IF YOU CHOOSE online instruction, you will not be able to opt out and return to classroom instruction for at least 9 weeks.

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**Chromebook Checkout:** On August 24th we will have chromebooks available for checkout. If you would like to check out a chromebook for your student that is choosing online learning please drop me an email at [atanner@arleeschools.org](mailto:atanner@arleeschools.org).

**Face Masks:** Our teachers and maintenance staff have been working diligently in our classrooms to provide as much social distancing as possible. We are asking that all students come to school with a MASK (preferably on their face, not around their arm, ankle, friend's

head, under their shoe or attached to their belt loop ). Arlee Schools has also ordered a mask for each individual child and staff member. Please have your child's mask labeled with their name on it. We will be strongly encouraging mask wearing!

Carolyn, Wendy and I are on campus now. If you have any questions or concerns please call us at 726-3210 (ext. 2200 Carolyn, ext. 2203 Wendy or ext. 2237 Tanner) we are here to help!

Stay healthy and safe!

- Principal Tanner

## High School News

Dear Arlee Parents and Guardians -

I am thrilled to introduce myself as the new JH/HS principal as well as honored to be a part of the Arlee community. I hope this letter finds you healthy, safe, and refreshed for this upcoming school year. In the last few weeks of preparing I have met with teachers, office staff, parents and members within the community and I already feel like I am at home. Thank you Arlee.

Your patience during this difficult time is greatly appreciated and we will continually strive to provide the best education possible. This school year will have its challenges but in the little time I have been here, I feel confident that this community will stand together with pride to overcome them. We will be offering two different instructional options for students to enroll in for this upcoming 2020/2021 school year.

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- Principal Beckham

## EAGLES Club

### Arlee EAGLES' Raised Garden Bed Summer Environmental Projects

Five Arlee EAGLES students took advantage of the SKC Gardening Summer Program this year and grew their own vegetables this summer. Look at their wonderful garden pictures and encourage your own family members to do the same next summer! If you would like more information please contact the Environmental Science teacher and EAGLES adviser Bonnie White at [bwhite@arleeschools.org](mailto:bwhite@arleeschools.org).



### Infinite Campus - Parent Information

Arlee Schools have added Text Messaging to our Infinite Campus Messaging System. This is not automatic and as a parent/guardian you must opt in to this service. You can do this one of two ways:

- Log in to the Infinite Campus Parent Portal <https://mtdecloud1.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/parents/arlee.jsp> with your existing username and password.
  - Select User Menu (upper right hand corner head and shoulders icon)
  - Select Settings
  - Select Contact Preferences
  - Select Text (SMS) check boxes
  - Click Save

If you don't have a Parent Portal account please email [mwieler@arleeschools.org](mailto:mwieler@arleeschools.org) to request one.

- You can contact your building secretary and they can opt you in.