

Parents and Guardians,  
8/24/2020

As you know, this weekend we had our first positive case of Covid-19. This was a support employee who was immediately sent home when symptoms first began to appear. We have since learned that Mr. Betchan, our High School Principal, has developed symptoms and is in quarantine at home this week. I have been in contact with the Garfield County Health Department this morning and we discussed contact tracing for the support employee and Mr. Betchan. We have had many discussions with the employee and Mr. Betchan concerning who they may have been in close contact with prior to their symptoms appearing. If any, those persons/parents will be contacted immediately.

On Friday night Mr. Betchan and I traveled to Okeene to support our Mustang Football team in their scrimmage against Okeene and Beaver. Per CDC guidelines, I was possibly exposed to Covid-19 since Mr. Betchan is now experiencing symptoms. Therefore, I must also quarantine at home for the next two weeks.

With no administrator in the building at the high school/junior high for the next two weeks, we are forced to shift our classroom setting to a virtual delivery starting tomorrow, 8/25/2020. All high school and junior high classes will be virtual starting tomorrow. NOC and Autry Tech. students will continue learning according to the university or Career Tech guidelines. Today, teachers at the secondary campus are reviewing with their students how to access and complete virtual information and assignments. If you do not have access to the internet please contact the school office and confirm with the office.

This only impacts the high school and junior high. The elementary will still have school in person each day at Pleasant Vale. Buses will still run at the same time. The high school and junior high will open back up for school on the Tuesday after Labor Day, September 8th, 2020.

Today, students at the high school and junior high who returned their Chromebook Agreement Forms are being issued their district owned Chromebooks so that they can temporarily continue their education at home over the next two weeks. If you have not signed your students Chromebook agreement then your student will not be issued their Chromebook until that is turned in to the school. Each student was given a copy to take home last week. You can print one off of our school website at [www.ppv.k12.ok.us](http://www.ppv.k12.ok.us) We are making plans to deliver Chromebooks to central dropoff sites in Shortstop/Brookside in the coming days, At that time we will hand out the remaining Chromebooks in exchange for signed Chromebook Agreements We will send out information as to a place and time before this happens so everyone can make arrangements.

We are also working on school meals during this temporary time out of school. We will let you all know something as soon as we get confirmation on what we can do and what it will look like in regards to how it will be offered.

High School athletics will still continue as scheduled. More information will be disseminated as information becomes available. Junior high athletics will be altered to some degree. Coaches

have already been in contact with the players to communicate a plan moving forward for the next two weeks. Any changes will also be sent out via school messenger.

In closing, thank you all for your continued patience and understanding. We will continue to do our very best to keep you all informed to the best of our ability. This is a very unpredictable time for all of us, but I am confident we will get through it and be better because of what we have learned from it.

Sincerely,

Brent Koontz  
Superintendent  
Pioneer Pleasant Vale Schools