

# ***SOUTH WASCO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1***

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

At the beginning of this summer we spent a lot of time working on what our transition back to on-site school would look like. It is now clear, however that school will begin this year in a Comprehensive Distance Learning model. We know that there are many questions in the community about what this will look like. Yesterday, I was able to meet with staff and solidify our plan. **Please visit our webpage ‘Comprehensive Distance Learning’ for more detail. Please go back to the CDL section often as we will be updating information periodically.**

In an earlier letter, I talked about the state metrics and guidance developed by the Oregon Health Authority. With the “loosening” of the metrics for small districts in low population areas and with the current COVID trends in our county, we are hopeful that we will see our buildings open soon. We are following the OHA guidance, along with North Central Public Health Department support to open our doors as soon as we are allowed.

Here is the plan for the beginning of the school year:

- **First Day of School - our first day of instruction for students will be Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>**, in order to properly prepare for students staff will have additional training with the new devices and programs that the district will be implementing this year. Many of these devices and programs have only arrived in the district within the last couple of weeks.
- **Smooth Start** – please go to the district webpage [www.swasco.net](http://www.swasco.net) and Click on the Comprehensive Distance Learning button, and then the Smooth Start Folder followed by the Appointlet Parent/Teacher Conference Scheduler - to schedule an appointment with your child’s teacher for the week of Sept.8-11<sup>th</sup>. This will be an in-the-building conference to review different aspects of class, receive your device, passwords, return textbooks, etc.
- **Instruction** - The district will be following Oregon Department of Education’s required instructional time for each level. Students will have teacher led instruction daily. Additionally, in the afternoon and evening students will have instructional support time, tutoring time, etc.
- **Credit Recovery for High School**– during the hours of 8:30-4:30 and in the evenings students will be able to access support for credit recovery.

- Technology Helpline– this year we will have a helpline and helpline email so that your technology issues can be resolved as quickly as possible.
- Internet & Hotspots– the district is actively investigating internet accessibility for students/families who may not have internet or stable service.
- PE and Music – K-12 students will have PE and Music opportunities during the week.
- Library Services– to check out books and have them delivered please contact Carly Johnson at [carlyj@swasco.net](mailto:carlyj@swasco.net) Audiobooks, E-Books, Read to Me Books are also available.
- Meals & Food Delivery – similar to last spring the district will be delivering meals weekly.
- Counseling– students will have access to counseling services via zoom.

**For more detail on the items listed above and other school year information please go to the district webpage. Click on ‘Comprehensive Distance Learning’ and follow the links.**

Please also review our plan for School Re-entry (BluePrint and Ready Schools 2020-21) which will be implemented when local metrics have been met and we are approved by North Central Public Health to begin transitioning students back into our buildings.

Thank you for your support in these trying times 😊

Ryan Wraught, *Superintendent*  
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