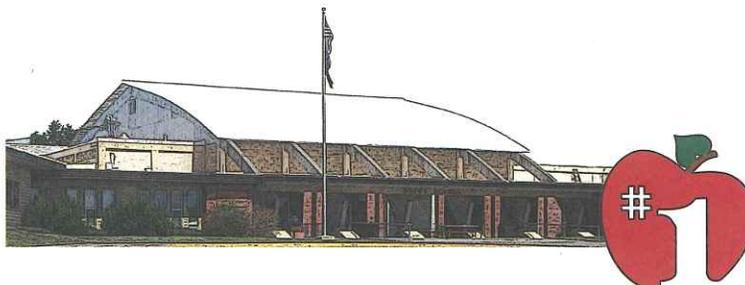


# WASCO COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #29

## DUFUR SCHOOL

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Dear Dufur School Supporters,

As the first day of instruction approaches on Monday September 14, staff have returned to work and are working diligently to kick off a fantastic 20/21 school year. Although our start will not look like that of years past, I am confident that we will get off to a great start. Our program this fall will not resemble last spring. Grades will be earned, and attendance will be taken every day. Google Classroom will be the primary means of communication for each class.

Luckily, the Covid-19 numbers in Wasco County have been dropping and we are moving in to the range of being able to open school to some degree. Although final decisions can't be made at this point, we are planning on beginning the year with Kindergarten through third grades on site. This could change if the rate of infections increase in the next two weeks, but if the rate holds steady, or declines, K-3 will be on site beginning Sept. 14. Final Decisions will be made by Tuesday September 8.

The other grade levels will return as deemed appropriate, as soon as possible. Our staff is focused on delivering the best instruction possible, on-site and or virtual. Please be on the lookout for communication from your students teachers for more information on Google Classroom. We will be holding virtual back to school nights, information sessions on Acellus learning, as well as Google Classroom beginning next week, dates and times to be announced. Our growing list of Frequently Asked Questions is on our website near the top center; please consult it as questions arise. If your questions aren't answered, please call the school at 541-467-2509.

Dufur School will begin lunch delivery on Monday August 31, sites and times will be announced in the next couple days. Chromebooks can be delivered and signed for at your student's lunch drop off site with prior arrangements being made with the school.

Our priorities are the health and safety of our students, families and staff and to provide a quality education for our students, whether on-site or virtual. As students return to school they will be wearing masks inside of the building; please work with your students on the importance of wearing face coverings to prevent the spread of Covid-19. An increase in the use of face coverings has led to the decrease of cases statewide. As students return to school, the district will provide face masks as well as shields for all students. Let's have a great school year!

Sincerely,

Jack Henderson, Superintendent