

October 8, 2020
Transitions to **On-Site In-Person Instruction**



Greetings White Pass Families, Students and Staff

As many of you are aware, Dr. Wood, the Lewis County Health Officer, recently published updated recommendations for our county to **commence student On-Site Instruction by grade spans across timelines starting mid-October**. Dr. Woods' communication is a guideline and NOT a directive or requirement for all Lewis County schools to progress forward with **On-Site Instruction** in exactly the same manner or timing.

Dr. Wood's recommendation placed priority timing on younger-aged students. Our Pre-School and Kindergarten students have been attending **On-Site** at school since September 28, 2020. At White Pass we are following Department of Health guidelines (**distancing and masks**) with safety protocols for students and staff in place.

White Pass is moving forward in our Transitions to On-Site Instruction. We have received agreement from Dr. Wood's office to progress forward with this modified model for On-Site In-Person Instruction at White Pass schools:

Pre-School and Kindergarten: On-Site/In-Person

Currently using In-Person Instruction

Grades 1-2: On-Site/In-Person

Planned Start Date In-person: October 19, 2020

Grade 3: On-Site/In-Person

Planned Start Date In-person: October 26, 2020

Elementary students in grades K – 3 will attend In Person Instruction five (5) days a week, Monday through Friday, with early release now being mid-week on Wednesday.

Students in grades K – 3 will be split into two groups by utilizing a classroom with approximately half of the students in each room. One group of the students will be with the teacher for half of the day and the other group will be with paraprofessionals providing extended and enrichment activities. At midday the teacher and paraprofessionals will switch classrooms. The teacher will personally instruct each class grouping and utilize assigned paraprofessionals to continue learning activities in support of this model. This allows us to accomplish safe distancing protocols for your student.

Grades 4- 6 and Jr/Sr High: Hybrid Model

Elementary students in grades 4 – 6 and our Jr/Sr High students will receive instruction using an AB Hybrid Model. Students and families will be notified as to which group the student will be in; either A or B.

Grades 4-6

Target Start Date Hybrid: November 2, 2020

Grades 7-12

Target Start Date Hybrid: November 30, 2020

Grades 4- 6 and Jr/Sr High students will receive instruction using an AB Hybrid Model.

A Students: M/T On-Site, Th/F Remote

B Students: M/T Remote, Th/F On-Site

All Students: W Remote, Early Release Day

Since the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year and throughout this transitioning process, students with IEPs, 504 plans and designated counseling will continue to receive their established services both remote and in-person as outlined in each student's individual plan. If you have questions about your student's service plan, please contact the elementary or Jr/Sr High.

Changes to the schedule **will likely occur**, therefore we need to be flexible to protect the safety and health of students and staff.

Dr. Paul Farris
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