



NESTUCCA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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*Inspiring individual excellence, instilling diligence,
and initiating life-long learning*

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Nestucca Valley Community,

Thank you to those who have reached out to the district to ask questions concerning the decision to start the 2020-2021 school year with a comprehensive distance learning model. We have reinstated the email address questions@nestucca.k12.or.us for ease of question asking for families. If you have a question, please pose it to this email address. As is often the case, if one person has a question, many other people might have similar questions, so we will compile the inquiries and create a FAQ sheet for our community.

The district will be using an online registration process this year. On Monday, August 17, our online registration process will begin for all Pre-k thru 12 grade students. Registration will close on August 28, 2020. Included in this registration packet are questions concerning internet and personal learning devices for students. The district is working to bolster internet access, speed and affordability in our area. By completing the questions regarding internet and learning devices accessibility, the district will then be able to use the information to mobilize a plan for each family.

This week, the Oregon School Activities Association announced an amendment to school activities calendar. Here is a link to the revised calendar <http://www.osaa.org/docs/osaa/info/Adopted20-21OSAASessionCalendar.pdf>

Please know that as a district, we are actively looking for ways to engage our students in small group work, whether that is academic instruction or other activities. We plan to launch the year in a complete distance learning model and each week, examine case counts and the latest state policies. As soon as we identify safe ways to engage our students, with in person activities, we will work to do so. Until that time, there will be no school organized practices or activities in person.

Unfortunately, in Tillamook county, we have seen 10 COVID 19 cases reported since Sunday, for a total of 34 cases in the county. This percentage of positive cases means that our county now fails the metric for reopening school to in-person learning, established by the state. As an administrative team, we monitor this data daily and are required by the state to do so. We will diligently monitor this data as we work to develop a hybrid instructional model, that we hope to launch for the second quarter of the school year in November of 2020. We will communicate weekly about the progress made as a community towards in-person offerings.

Next week, we will publish instructions on how to register online, as well as teacher grade level assignments for the elementary school, so families are ready to engage in the online registration on Monday, August 17, 2020.

Stay well and take care,

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