

Thursday, August 20, 2020

Greetings Pinehurst Parents,

I'm excited to announce that under the direction of the Ready Schools, Safe Learners Guidance provided by the Oregon Department of Education, Jackson County Public Health) has determined that, at this time, it is **safe for Pinehurst to reopen for in-person instruction on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>!**

Our staff is busily preparing for operating on-site instruction with all the protocols and procedures in place, including screening upon entry, hand hygiene, social distancing and wearing a face mask or face shield while inside.

We will be sharing lots of information with you in the coming weeks that will outline drop-off and pick-up procedures and expectations for monitoring your child's health and reporting symptoms.

I wanted to share this information with you now so you can prepare your child to attend school, in person, with their peers. If you expressed interest in distance learning, our teachers are ready to work with you so that your child can be part of the Pinehurst family while learning from home! We will be reaching out to you soon to talk about how that will work.

Of course, we will need to remain flexible, because at any time, if case rates in our community-engagement area become unsafe, we will move into distance learning until it is deemed safe to return to on-site learning. I will continue to work closely with the folks at Jackson County Public Health, who monitor the case rates and they will inform us if our on-site status must change.

We are the only public school in Jackson County that has been given the green light to reopen. This is because of our remote setting and small size. It is going to take all of us to keep our community safe; please do your part by continuing to social distance, wash your hands and wear a face covering when you are in a social setting.

If you haven't already registered your child for the 2020-21 school year, please do that right now! We are using an online registration platform through Power School. You should have received an email on July 27<sup>th</sup> with your unique login information that links you to the registration portal. If you have any questions about the process, please contact our office 541-482-1910 or email Shira, [shira@pinehurst.k12.or.us](mailto:shira@pinehurst.k12.or.us).

Our entire Operational Blueprint for Reentry is posted on our website along with our Communicable Disease Management Plan with links to all the required protocol. [Link to our Plans](#). I will keep this link current with any new information or changes.

Thank you for your patience this summer as we navigated all the reopening guidance for Oregon schools. We are eager to welcome you back to Pinehurst School in two weeks!

Kindly,  
*Holly*