

## **Greenfield Elementary Parents,**

I have some information regarding the start of the 2020-2021 school year. As safety is our primary concern, there are a few changes we must incorporate due to social distancing guidelines. Information is constantly changing, so items could be added or changed in the coming weeks.

### **Decisions**

- Parents have the choice for their child to attend school in person or remotely. Please let us know by Tuesday, August 11. You will be able to change your decision after each quarter.

### **Health Exams**

- All of the normal physicals, immunizations, dental, and eye exams are required regardless of in person or remote learning.
- Students will not be able to attend school until all forms are current, up-to-date, and on file in the office.

### **Masks**

- All students and staff will be required to wear a mask while in the building.
- We will give many gentle reminders to our young students about leaving the masks on. If this does become an ongoing issue for a student, then the parents will be made aware. If a student blatantly refuses to wear a mask, then we have to contact parents and send the student home.
- It would be a good idea to somehow put names or markings on your child's masks as some may look similar.
- Students will not have to wear masks during recess.
- They will wash their hands after each recess.
- When they are seated at lunch, they will be allowed to take masks off to eat.

### **Student Attendance Hours**

- Students are encouraged to arrive no earlier than 8:00 AM. When students get to school and go through our temperature screening, they will be going straight to their classroom. There will not be breakfast. Students who eat breakfast will be given food at the end of each day to take home and put in the fridge for breakfast the next morning.
- Students will be dismissed at 1:45pm.
- From 1:45-3:30PM, teachers will be available for the students learning remotely. This time will be spent communicating with remote learning students.

### **Morning Arrival**

- Students being dropped off will have their temperature taken upon arrival to school. Bus students will have to have their masks on to get on the bus and parents will have a paper to self-certify that the kids are symptom free.
- Any student exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19 or that have a temperature of 100.4 degrees or higher will be required to go home. We will have a holding area for them to be in until the parent/guardian is here to pick them up.

### **Physical Education & Music**

- We will still have music classes. Music classes will go outside to sing as weather permits.
- We will have physical education classes. Students will be outside as often as possible as the weather permits. If we must stay inside the students will still have physical education in the gym.

### **Outdoor Classrooms**

- Teachers may elect to take students outside, weather and space permitting, for a lesson. If they are six feet apart, masks may be removed outside.

### **Water Fountains**

- We have installed new water bottle filling stations. The normal drinking fountains will be shut off. Students should bring their own water bottle daily and refill as needed.

### **Visitors/Volunteers**

- Visitors and volunteers will only be allowed to enter the building if you are wearing a mask and symptom free.

### **Busing**

- Students must ride the same bus (to and from school) and it must be to the same address.
- Students will be required to wear masks on the buses.
- Students will have assigned seats on buses.
- Parents will fill out a self-certifying paper saying your children are symptom free and the students will have to give it to the bus driver to be allowed on the bus each day.
- It is recommended that whatever routine you plan to do for dismissal, that you start it the first day and keep that consistent throughout the year.

### **Attendance**

Whether learning in person or remotely, attendance is an important factor for educational success. Students are expected to be in attendance every established school day. If a student must be absent, parents are required to notify the school office by 10:00AM - **even if the student is learning remotely**. Our expectation is to have contact with all students every day.

#### **District/School Website** - [greenfieldschools.org](http://greenfieldschools.org)

The district website includes information about staff email addresses, student handbooks, school calendars and remote learning.

#### **District Facebook page** - Greenfield CUSD #10

Announcements are often made through the district Facebook page. Parents and students are encouraged to follow our page.

#### **SchoolMessenger**

Students and parents should be signed up for SchoolMessenger announcements. Both text messaging and phone calls can be received. Your phone numbers should be kept up to date in the system to get announcements. Some information is sent only as a text message. Once signed up for SchoolMessenger, it is necessary for you to text Yes to 67587 to receive text messages.

Please, do not send your children to school with any symptoms. If your child or a family member is getting tested for Covid-19, please do not come to school.

I will keep you updated if there are changes. I completely understand that it has been a difficult time for families. I will do my best to answer questions and we will provide the support for your children that they need.

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