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Vision Statement: Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

Pleasant Hill Elementary

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With Thanksgiving quickly approaching, I want to take a moment to express my many thanks to the people whose hard work and generous contributions make Pleasant Hill Elementary such a special place.

To our dedicated staff...thank you for helping all students succeed and receive the very best education either in-person or on zoom.

To our amazing students...we are so proud of your hard work each day...thank you for taking risks, challenging yourselves, expanding your minds.

To our wonderful parents...we so appreciate your constant support and partnership...it makes a BIG difference for your own child(ren) and for our whole school community.

Holiday Food Drive

This year the PHES Billies food drive to assist local Pleasant Hill families begins Monday, November 16th - 20th. Students may drop off donated food items each day in their classrooms, if they are attending in-person instruction. If they are participating in distance learning, please plan to drop off your donations either in front of the library that week or at our Materials Pick-up, Friday, November 20th from 10:45-12:45.

Suggested donation items are: canned fruit, pasta, canned meals such as chili & stew, canned vegetables, dry beans, packaged meals, rice, soup, spaghetti sauce, tuna, peanut butter, flour, sugar, salt, condiments like ketchup, salad dressing, etc.

Student Safety

Student safety at school is our first and most important priority not only in school, but in our parking lot and drop off area this year. We appreciate everyone pulling into the loading and unloading lanes, pausing as your child gets out and then moving on to keeping traffic flowing in the parking lot.



Here are just a few reminders about what parents can do to help keep Pleasant Hill Elementary students be safe:

- In the morning K / 1 and siblings parent drop off and pick up takes place in the front of the school.
- In the morning 2 /3 parent drop off and pick up takes place in the front of the large gate in the gravel parking lot leading to the playground.
- Pre-school morning drop off is in the gravel parking lot along the straight sidewalk.
- Katie's Lane is closed to daily car traffic during school hours, 7:00 4:00 p.m. This year Katie's Lane is reserved for busing, as well as the U in front of the library everyday.
- In the afternoon all K-3 students are dropped off and picked up in front of the school.

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Bad Weather, School Delays or Closures

This is a reminder that school closures, delays, or changes in bus routes, snow routes, may result from emergencies such as inclement weather conditions. School decisions are typically made by

6:00 a.m. after transportation personnel have examined the local conditions if we can safely bring everyone to school or we need to either delay the start of school or cancel school for the day.

When weather related emergencies occur, announcements are usually broadcast by the local television media (KEZI, KVAL, KMTR, KLSR) and announced on radio stations (such as KUGN, KPNW, AND KEED/KSND). The media obtains and broadcast their information from Flash News, <u>www.flashnews.net</u>. You will also be getting messages via the districts messaging system Blackboard in the form of a Robo call, text message and email message.

In addition, this year we will be putting out an announcement via Seesaw to all of our elementary families. Instead of closing schools for weather events, we will move everyone to distance learning for the day. The difference will be teachers will not be providing live zoom lessons. The expectation will be students are completing lessons via Lexia Core 5, Dreambox, Reflex, Seesaw activities and spending minimum 20 minutes for the day.



Do You Have a New Phone Number?

If you, or any of your emergency contacts, have changed phone numbers recently please make sure you have notified the school office. It is extremely important this information is kept up to date so that we can reach you in the event of an emergency or your child becomes ill at school.



State Report Card

Each year the Oregon Department of Education prepares a report card for each school and district as required by law (ORS 329.115), requiring schools to notify families these are available for their

viewing, as well. The purpose of the report card is to share at a glance as to how the school district and schools are progressing towards meeting educational goals and other information such as student attendance, teacher experience and opportunities for extracurricular and intervention supports for students both in and out of school.

To view report cards online, head to the ODE <u>http://www.ode.state.or.us/data/reportcard/reports.aspx</u>, and enter Pleasant Hill School District and a list of available report cards will be generated. Select the one you are interested in reviewing. Hard copies of our school and district report card are also available in our foyer on the information table.

As you review this information, please note that the report cards have undergone significant redesign from prior years. This year data is very limited since schools moved to Supplementary Learning last March and no districts were able to assess students using the annual state summative assessment called OSAS, Oregon Summative Assessment System.

Chromebook Updates

Pleasant Hill School District has added a new feature to all our district owned Chromebooks, called GoGuardian, a Chromebook extension. This program is designed to help protect students from inappropriate online material. It is to help students stay focused on their academic studies when learning online.

District computers are not designed for extra extensions, watching movies, extensive searches unrelated to student assignments. These Chromebooks basically are designed to run the programs and apps the district has selected to use this year. We are asking that you assist your student with uninstalling any apps / extensions such as wallpapers, games, virtual pets, etc. so that these devices will run at their maximum capacity for school purposes.

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In addition, the Chromebooks need to be restarted at least weekly. This updates apps (Zoom, etc.) and operating systems (Chrome OS) to the newest and best for the systems. (Just closing the lid does not accomplish this)

- Step 1: Press and hold the Power button.
- Step 2: The screen dims, and a pop-up appears. Click the Power Off button.
- Step 3: Press your Chromebook's Power button to restart.

When Should I Keep My Child Home?	
Student's Symptoms or Illness	Student May Return to School When*
Fever : temperature by mouth greater than 100.4 degrees	No fever for at least 72 hours without the use of fever reducing medicine.
Skin rash or open sores	Rash is gone; sores are dry or can be completely covered by a bandage; or with orders from doctor to school nurse.
New Cough illness	In general, when symptom-free for 72 hours. If pertussis (whooping cough) is diagnosed, after taking 5-day course of prescribed antibiotics, or when cleared for return by local public health authority. If COVID- 19 is diagnosed, with orders from local public health authority.
Diarrhea : 3 loose or watery stools in one day OR newly not able to control bowel movements	Symptom-free for 48 hours.
Vomiting	Symptom-free for 48 hours.
Headache with stiff neck and fever; OR with recent head injury	Symptom-free or with orders from doctor to school nurse.
Jaundice: (new) yellow color in eyes or skin	After orders from doctor or local public health authority to school nurse.
Red eyes or eye discharge : yellow or brown drainage from eyes	Redness and discharge is gone OR with orders from doctor to school nurse.

Materials Distribution Day for All Distance Learning Families

Friday, October 16th, we will be hosting our first monthly materials distribution day from 11:00 - 1:00 p.m. Please plan to swing into the loading and unloading zone to pick up your student's materials, which their teachers have prepared. K / 1 materials will be available in front of the office, 2 / 3 materials available in the gravel 2 / 3 drop off area and 4 / 5 materials in front of the Community Center.

If you are unable to attend, materials will be available the following week in front the office foyer, 7:30 - 3:45 p.m.

Up Coming Events

November 9th - 10:45 - 12:45 p.m. Grab and Go New Lunch Distribution Time start

November 10th - PTO Mtg., please see Seesaw for Zoom link

November 11th - Veteran's Day / No School

November 16 - 20th - PHES Food Drive

November 16th - 7:00 p.m. School Board Mtg.

November 20th - 10:45 - 12:45 p.m. Materials Pick-Up Distance Learning Families Only

November 25th - No School / Contractual

November 26th & 27th - Thanksgiving Day / No School

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