



"Expecting Success"
ADRIAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS



School District #61 ♦ PO Box 108 ♦ Adrian, Oregon 97901
♦ Phone (541) 372-2335 ♦ Fax (541) 372-5380

Superintendent/High School Principal

Kevin Purnell

(541) 372-2335

K-8 Principal

William Ellsworth

(541) 372-2337

Statewide School Closures Extended

Superintendents Desk

March 18, 2020

The Governor's Office announced yesterday that schools will remain closed through April 28, 2020 with students returning to school on Wednesday, April 29, 2020.

Adrian School District in conjunction with the other school districts in Malheur County are in the process of developing plans to supplement the education of our students during this closure. The highest priority will be given to current seniors so that they can meet all graduation requirements. Rest assured, we will be putting plans together to serve all children. Additional information will be forthcoming as we develop viable strategies for students and their families to meet the educational needs of their children. This will undoubtedly need to be a partnership between our staff and the families we serve.

We continue to seek clarification on a number of issues from the Oregon Department of Education. We will keep our parents and community updated as we know more. During today's meeting of superintendents with the Director of the Oregon Department of Education and Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction, Colt Gill we were told to expect answers to many of our questions prior to April 1st. Many of the questions centered on meeting instructional time requirements, graduation and testing requirements, and delivery of supplemental resources to families during this extended closure. I know that many of you are anxious to know answers to these questions and I will get them to you when I have clarification.

At this point the Adrian School District will continue to deliver a grab and go style breakfast and lunch to our regular bus stops on regularly scheduled school days from March 30th to April 28th. Meals may also be picked up from the cafeteria between 9 am and 10 am for children living in town. This program is for all children in our community 18 years old and younger and is free of charge.

I will continue to update our families, staff and community as further information is disseminated from State Authorities. At this time I ask you to continue to be patient as we work through this unprecedented situation. The ultimate goal of these measures is to keep those we love safe; our parents, grandparents, and those with underlying health issues. Please do your part by following the guidelines set by the Oregon Health Authority. For more information on COVID-19 in Malheur County and Oregon you can go to: www.malheurhealth.org or www.healthoregon.org/coronavirus.

Thank you, be safe, be smart, and be well.