

April 23, 2020

Perrydale Patrons,

We are finishing up our second week of Distance Learning. There has been a lot of planning and work put into providing your children a balanced education that is stimulating yet not overwhelming. We will continue to make adjustments to the amount of content being taught in each of the student's classroom. An important component of Distance Learning is for the students to stay connected with their teachers. We provide the opportunity for connectivity through Google Classroom. Each teacher has a Google Classroom for their classes. These classrooms can be found at <https://sites.google.com/perrydale.k12.or.us/perrydalesupplementalresources/home>.

Attendance to the online meet ups is a great way for the students to feel connected to what is being taught in their classes and for the social opportunities to meet with fellow students. We ask that you talk positively with your children about Distance Learning and connect with the teacher when there may be challenges. Effective communication is the key for student success.

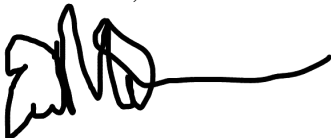
We have now received guidance from the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) for all grades K-12. The guidelines help the school provide what is needed for student success during Distance Learning. Seniors are working with Mr. Dugan and Ms. Schorr to finalize what they must do for graduation. Most are done already and are now preparing for their lives after high school. The rest of the students have similar guidelines for K-11. They can be found at https://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/healthsafety/Documents/Distance%20Learning%20for%20All%20Guidance%20March%202020.pdf?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery.

I'd like to highlight a few components:

- Students will receive either a Pass/Incomplete for their academics due to the closure. On their report card, students will have a P or an I depending on their level of achievement. Students with an I will be given extended opportunities to improve their grades to a Pass.
- Everyone's best is different and everyone's best is okay. We do not want you or your child to feel overwhelmed. Reach out when you may need help. Teachers will provide multiple ways for student progress to be assessed. Work with them if you or your child is struggling to keep up with the assignments.
- All state summative testing has been suspended for the year and we resume next year.
- The school year will conclude according to our 2019-2020 District calendar.

Perrydale does believe that we are in this together as a school community. The staff is here to help your child be successful. Success for each child will look differently. We miss your children but have greatly enjoyed being able to see them even if it has been through a virtual classroom. The teachers long for the day when we can all be at the school with all those smiling faces again. I will tell you, for an entertainment factor, there is not a more entertaining event than to see a preschool, K, or 1st grade class meet virtually.

Until next time,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eric Milburn', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Superintendent Eric Milburn