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CCSD to launch “Learning @ Home” program April 1st

Oregon Department of Education outlines educational guidelines

Crook County School District leaders and principals convened a special staff meeting this morning to plan for the extended school closure through April 28th. The Oregon Department of Education (ODE), provided specific guidelines to school districts on serving students through the closure.

This includes offering online educational resources, continuing meal programs, and working with all staff on creative ways to keep the district running and students engaged while they’re at home.

“These are unprecedented times and we’re basically creating a new educational model for our students and families,” explains Superintendent Dr. Sara Johnson. “We’ll have to be flexible and our staff believes that customer service is our #1 priority through this process.”

Principals will be working with teachers to develop plans and additional details for families will be provided over the coming days and weeks.

These are the priorities of ODE and CCSD during the COVID-19 closure:

- On April 1st, the Crook County School District’s *Learning @ Home* program will launch for all CCSD students. As part of the CCSD *Learning @ Home* program, teachers and staff will provide educational materials, instruction, and support using online, telephone, and hard copy deliverables. More specific details regarding how students will access the CCSD *Learning @ Home* program will be provided in the coming days.
- The student meal program will continue throughout the closure with an expansion of drop-offs and grab-and-go meals.
- Provide childcare for first responders, emergency workers, health care professionals, and other individuals, consistent with guidance requirements from ODE. Details for accessing the child care program will be provided in the coming days.
- Provide educational support for students on IEPs¹, 504s², and English Language Learners.

¹ IEP stands for Individual Education Program and covers students with disabilities.

² Section 504 is a part of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 that prohibits discrimination based upon disability.

- The state of Oregon is allowing school districts to continue to pay all regular employees. The school district will ensure that all employees have an opportunity to provide services to students throughout the closure.
- The district is still waiting for guidance from the Oregon Department of Education regarding graduation requirements, state testing, and high school credit attainment.

About Crook County School District

Crook County School District is a thriving, rural, growing district in Central Oregon, serving more than 3,000 students from all across Crook County. It is an organization with integrity, a model for educational success, and a recognized leader for excellence in helping students dream, learn, and succeed.

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