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Jodi O'Mara, Superintendent

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Dear Families, Staff, Students and Community Members,

Since my last parent letter, there have been several changes to the guidance regarding reopening schools in the fall. I wish I was able to predict what school will look like come September 8, 2020 (the first day of school), however, with the ever-changing status of COVID-19, and recommendations from both the Oregon Department of Education and the Oregon Health Authority (not to mention the CDC and WHO), it is impossible to make that determination right now. I can, however, share with you how we plan to gather input and information from our families.

I will be sending out a letter to all Mapleton School District Families the first week of August. That letter will provide information for our ON-SITE Registration process that all PreK-12th grade students must attend. Each family will be assigned a time and location to come to On-Site Registration. *We will work with each family to ensure the assigned time works for them.*

During On-Site Registration, we will be providing up to date guidance on the health and safety procedures that will be in place upon reopening, as well as what the most recent instructional models are for reopening school in the fall. There are still currently three options: on-site, hybrid (combination of on-site and online learning) and comprehensive distance learning (online only). We will be gathering specific information including transportation needs to and from school for each student, as well as preference of instructional model and additional information we need to help create our reopening plan.

It's important to note that there are two more updates scheduled to the Ready Schools, Safe Learning Guidance (this guidance drives our reopening plan). The updates are scheduled for July 21 and August 11. Once the final guidance changes are released, we will use information gathered from our families and staff to develop our school reopening plan. If you'd like to review the guidance and the resources Oregon Department of Education is providing to schools, please visit their website at: <https://www.oregon.gov/ode/students-and-family/healthsafety/Pages/COVID19.aspx>

In the meantime, if you have thoughts or ideas, please email me at jomara@mapleton.k12.or.us. While I may not respond to your email immediately, I will take note of what you share.

I hope you take time to enjoy your summer and stay healthy!

Respectfully,

Jodi O'Mara, Superintendent
Mapleton School

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