

Greetings Jag Nation!

As I poured over the Governor's IDAHO Rebounds Guidelines, in search of a pathway for reentry, I was hope-filled and optimistic. Unfortunately, his plan was less than favorable related to supporting the efforts of schools getting back to normal operations before the end of the year. Additionally, when you pair the Governor's plan with the guidelines already published by the State Board of Education, and our local Panhandle Health department, there is simply no viable pathway for us to resume, normal, daily operation as a "brick and mortar" school.

So, in a special meeting with our Board of Directors this past Wednesday, the decision was made to remain in our online learning platform through the end of the academic year. The final day of online instruction will be Thursday, May 28th.

- For those families with students in preschool through 5th grade, will we be having our drive-through-packet-pick-up on Monday, May 4th from 7:30-8:30 a.m. Your teachers have likely already communicated that with you, if you haven't received that information please reach out to them directly.
- We will be having our final Packet Pick-up on Monday the 18th of May. We will let you know which grades will be participating in that packet pick up at a later time, but please save the date.

You may well be wondering, "If instruction ends on May 28th, what about June 1st through 4th?" I'm so glad you asked! Throughout the closure period we've prioritized two things; continuity of relationship and continuity of learning and instruction.

We are finalizing a plan that will allow you and your student to schedule an end of the year conference with your teacher(s) the week of June 1st. We believe this will be an important way to help bring closure to this very unique and challenging school year. Again, there will be more grade level specific information coming to you related to this opportunity in the weeks to come. I simply wanted to cast vision and celebrate a unique way that we would like to re-connect with you, and your student, as this year comes to a close.

In closing, a reminder and two additional "save the dates."

- We are expecting delivery of 750 flower this next week, so keep selling those flowers! All the information you need related to flower sales and pick up can be found on our website.
- We are committed to providing a graduation ceremony for our seniors some time during the week of May 18th. We are working with our Host Church and other agencies to finalize that plan. Seniors, we will be getting specific information to you just as soon as we have it.
- We're also working to provide a graduation ceremony for our amazing kindergartners some time during the week of May 25th. Kindergartners, we will be getting specific information to you just as soon as we have it!

I would like to express, once again, my heartfelt and earnest thanks to each of you for the *partnership* we share. And I would like to encourage you as parents; your child *is* learning and growing every day. You are still, and always will be, your child's first and best teacher. We appreciate all that you are doing. And we are blessed to come alongside you, playing the unique part entrusted to us.

In Christ,

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