



CONEMAUGH TOWNSHIP AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
*A National Blue Ribbon School*  
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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Our school year is off to a great start and I just can't thank you enough for your support as we work together to educate our children. While our goal is to deliver in-person instruction for the entire year, we want to be ready for the possibility of remote learning. If we do move to a remote learning option, Google Classroom (through the use of Chromebooks, personal laptops or desktops, and your internet) will be our primary platform for instruction. If you do not have internet, a wireless hot spot has been set up at the Hollsopple Senior Center/Library for district residents to utilize. In September, we distributed Chromebooks on loan to families that did not have a device equipped with video capability and a microphone. If you did not borrow one at that time and are in need, please call my office at (814)479-3750 to be placed on a wait list. If a closure indeed occurs, we would distribute Chromebooks to families on the wait list as soon as possible.

In the event that school is closed for more than 2 days, we have a plan in place that we want to communicate with you at this time. On the first day of the closure, your child will access assignments on their teachers' Google Classrooms and complete them independently. On subsequent days, there will be live instruction delivered through Google Meet and Zoom. These platforms will afford students live instruction AND recorded instructional videos. We understand that some parents do not have the ability to be at home and sit with their child as they participate in live, real-time lessons. That is why the direct instruction part of the lesson will be recorded and posted on each teacher's Google Classroom for you to watch with your child outside of the typical 9:00 am to 3:15 pm school day. If your child is participating in the asynchronous model (watching the videos and completing work outside of the normal school day), assignments should be completed and submitted by 9pm that day to be counted as present for attendance purposes.

Tentative COVID-related school closure day schedules for each grade level have been posted on each teacher's website and/or Google Classroom. A paper copy is also attached to this letter for your review. There may be changes made as we work through some of the unforeseen circumstances that may arise.

If we do transition to remote learning, there are expectations of our students, staff and parents. Please see the attached remote learning expectation sheet and review them with your child in the event we may transition to this form of instruction. I would like everyone to know what will be provided for them and expected of them. Student grades will be addressed on the percentage scale that has been traditionally utilized by the Conemaugh Township Area School District; grades of pass/fail will not be utilized.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your cooperation and understanding with all of the challenges we have faced to this point I appreciate your preparation for the unforeseen challenges that await us.

Sincerely,

Nicole M. Dull  
Elementary School Principal