

## *Hidden Treasures By The Creek*

*Beaver Creek School District July 30, 2021*

As Beaver Creek School District prepares for the last days before school starts on Monday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, I want to let you be aware of a few items that will be ever changing.

The school website has the current required draft of the Mitigation plan. Contact Principal Wheeler or Superintendent Ward as to comments or questions. ( [awheeler@bcs.k12.az.us](mailto:awheeler@bcs.k12.az.us) kward@bcs.k12.az.us)

The state of Arizona and Yavapai County are in a state of substantial spread of Covid again. The Arizona State Legislature and the Governor signed into law 15- 342.05 prohibiting schools from requiring staff or students to wear masks while on school property. Therefore the district mitigation plan draft does not require masks on campus. Staff and students may wear masks.

The district is fully aware that CDC guidelines for schools are ever changing and were last updated July 9<sup>th</sup>. All areas of the mitigation plan follow the guidelines with the exception of masks.

You will be notified if your child has had an exposure. Make sure you keep your children home if ill. Contact Ms. Brooks or Mrs. Wheeler if you would like district staff to provide Covid screening to you and your family.

The staff will be disinfecting regularly, keep children in their cohorts, and will be at least 3 feet apart. Windows will be kept open for ventilation. And air purifiers are in spaces without windows that open. Handwashing is a must at least 3 times a day for students and staff. Hand sanitizer is kept filled in all indoor spaces. As the CDC guidelines change, our leadership team will modify our plan to keep the students and staff as safe as possible.

We still encourage families to transport children to and from school if they can. Our buses cannot follow the physically distancing guidelines. We just do not have enough drivers. Want to drive for the district? Call or email Jake Wheeler [jwheeler@bcs.k12.az.us](mailto:jwheeler@bcs.k12.az.us)

We are very excited to see our Creeker students on Monday, and we welcome you to walk with your children to class the first day. Please keep your families physically distanced from other families while on campus. The campus will be closed to families after the first morning . Do your part to keep everyone health and safe.

We are READY for an amazing year! We hope you are too!

*Principal Allie Wheeler and Superintendent Karin Ward*

