

March 16, 2020

Dear Parents,

I want to assure you that we are reading and considering all news/advice about the Coronavirus as we become aware of it. Although many schools are already closed, and the Idaho State Department of Education has advised all schools close, we have made the decision to remain open this week yet if at all possible. Our reasoning is as follows:

1. We are a relatively small gathering of people and somewhat isolated.
2. We don't want to compromise your child's education any sooner than we have to.
3. We are fairly confident we may have to close later on, so we are trying to "save" our closure time until then.

However, if circumstances dictate, we will CLOSE WHEN NEEDED – such as if cases are found closer to our county, etc.

Since we are not set up for online schooling, teachers are endeavoring to get some packets together to send home with their students so they can continue learning at home if or when we do close for an extended period of time.

Please know that you are welcome to keep your child home at any time. Let us know and we will get work ready for them to do. We understand that circumstances are different for each family.

Finally, please join with us to keep people safe by keeping your child at home if they are experiencing flu-like symptoms. We also respectfully ask that you notify us if anyone in your family has recently been out of the state or anywhere there may be confirmed cases.

Please check your emails and messages often, as information is constantly changing. We are ready to respond to this situation as quickly as needed.

Thank you,

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