



# SOUTH COAST

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Dear Parent(s),

What a difference a week can make. Last week was a difficult week with the new changes for the fall, and what school will look like. Things will look similar to what they did in the spring of 2020, however, we are working on creating the best home learning environment we can to support both you and your student this fall.

On July 25, 2020, Governor Kate Brown announced new metrics to guide school districts on whether schools can open in-person. Whether this schooling is provided in person, will depend on many factors. The most important factor is the spread of COVID-19 in our local communities. Schools cannot operate on-site until it is safe, and we cannot create an arbitrary timeline. Based on these new metrics, if school were starting today, the schools in Coos Bay, Reedsport, Bandon, Port Orford, and Gold Beach may not re-open in the physical buildings as we had been planning.

With that being said, we will be providing Comprehensive Distance Learning for all students, with the possibility of some in-person instruction for students K-3, and possibly limited on-site instruction to meet the needs of specific groups. This could include our students, but it is unclear at this time as to what this will be able to look like. We have been looking into some different online curriculums, and other resources to support the teachers in providing a more interactive home instruction experience this fall.

While we understand that this is difficult, we will continue to plan and develop a structure and routine for school that will help you with supporting your student(s) this fall. We will continue to look for resources and develop trainings to assist both you and your student in this transition.

We will continue to work on developing the best plan we can to meet each student's individual needs. As information becomes available, we will interpret the information and reach out to you with what that means for your student and family. As always, please reach out if you have questions, concerns, or need further clarification.

Take care,

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