March 19, 2020

Dear Parents,

I hope this email finds you well under the circumstances. By far, this is one of the most challenging situations we have all faced. However, I have been overwhelmed with the amount of goodwill and hard work I have seen from so many. A big thank you to our teachers. Their efforts have been amazing and actually have brought me to tears.

Understanding that we are living more in a digital world then ever right now we have been working on getting our chromebooks out of the carts where they are housed to make them available to our third, fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students. Most of your teachers are ready to for at least a portion of your learning to be done online. The online experience will vary in the different classes, but in all cases it will be more easily accomplished if students have a device that they can use to get online.

If you already have a computer that your student can use at home and don’t want to borrow a school Chromebook, that is fine. We just want to make sure that no student is left out for lack of a device. If there is the chance of your student having wifi access in another location that you often visit, then borrowing a Chromebook would be a good idea. If you don’t have wifi access to the internet in your house or elsewhere, then you might still need to rely on paper copies of all of the work for your student which will be available at school.

We will also have bins at the school for teachers to leave paper packets of work for families to pick up new work and drop off completed work. Your teachers will be able to help direct you to that information if that is the format in which you are getting work to and from school for your child/ren.

Families using our Chromebooks It is important for your student and everyone else in your house to know that these Chromebooks are being loaned for school work. Our Acceptable Use Policy is still in force for any user and we will continue to monitor the Chromebooks.

We will make Chromebooks available to be signed out to be borrowed at the following times:
Friday, March 20, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Monday, March 23, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sincerely,
Erica McLaughlin
Principal