



SCAPPOOSE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Cultivating passionate lifelong learners for an ever-changing world

Dear Scappoose School District Families,

While our state, country, and world endures the rapid changes and loss due to this crisis, our Scappoose District School staff have been working collaboratively to develop a vision and plan for the remainder of our school closure based in a culture of care, connection, and continuity of learning. We recognize that there are going to be bumps along the road as we try new things together and are committed to showing patience and grace with each other. Hang in there with us! With challenges, comes opportunity. This experience is pushing us to grow as educators, learners, and community members. We are truly hopeful that with our innovation, we can provide a meaningful education for all students and bring our community even closer together, even if that closeness is virtual.

This afternoon, the Oregon Department of Education and Governor Brown have announced that school buildings will remain closed for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. They released the following statewide guidance for our graduating seniors, Class of 2020. Here are the important points:

- All seniors are still expected to complete 24 credits to graduate using the Oregon Diploma subject requirements.
- All grades for Semester 2 will now be Pass/Incomplete and will not be calculated into the final GPA.
- If seniors were passing their classes (A-D) on March 13, they will receive a P for the semester and the remainder of our school closure for seniors will be focused on providing supports for post-secondary opportunities, such as assistance with the FAFSA application for financial aid, college/internship applications, scholarship applications, and other supports.
- If seniors had an F on March 13, their teachers will connect with them to determine an individualized plan to grade/enter/complete missing assignments or work on content that was taught prior to March 13 until students meet proficiency on those topics. Once they pass, they will receive the post-secondary opportunity supports.
- All Essential Skills, Statewide testing, and Personalized Learning Requirements (i.e. Career-Related Learning Experiences, Resume, Plan and Profile) are suspended.

At this time, we are waiting guidance on 9th-11th grade, as well as Dual Credit course guidance. We are hoping that this information will come in the next week. As soon as it is available, it will be shared with our school community.

We recognize that these changes prompt questions and require clarification for individual situations. Our staff will continue to reach out to families weekly so you can stay informed and we can receive feedback to ensure we are meeting your needs.

Senior Activities

Due to the extended school closure and ODE guidance, we are re-imagining our senior celebration activities, such as graduation. Our school administration is working with our student leadership team to honor our students and celebrate their achievements, even though we cannot be together physically. The culmination of 12 years of schooling is an important milestone and we are looking at ways to ensure that all seniors and families have the opportunity to participate in these events. More information will be shared as soon as possible.

Starting Monday, April 13

Our "Distance Learning for All" plan and resources will be published on our school web site. This will include the expectations and for staff, students, and families as we move to a virtual education format.

Staff has set student support hours for students wanting help on their classroom activities, by phone, email, or virtual meetings. As always, families are welcome to email or call teachers.

Please know that meals are available to ALL Scappoose School District children (ages 0-18). You do not need apply for meals to take advantage of this resource.

Please take care of each other and stay healthy. We miss all of you and look forward to seeing you all again soon!