

Good Afternoon Folks-

We have a few announcements from our board meeting last Tuesday night. Wendell is fortunate to have school board members who are so understanding and supportive of staff during this difficult time. Safety for the children is their top priority.

The board wanted me to express how much they've appreciated your hard work during the closure. Thanks for being flexible, creative, and FUN. The communication you have had with students and families in our community has been fantastic. They've been amazed how teachers and parents have been willing to work together seamlessly and hope the positive interactions and the relationships will be enhanced for the long-term. Keep up the great work!

I realize there are still unanswered questions and concerns that will need to be addressed next month. There will be directives from the Governor, from the SDE/SBOE, and from our local Public Health District. Sometimes I get frustrated when I'm not in control of what is happening all around me, and I'm sure you do too. To get through this, I am reminded of a lesson taught to me by one of my high school teachers. And that lesson is the only thing I am in complete control of is my ATTITUDE ...and I'm choosing to stay POSITIVE. Join me Wendell and we'll whip this thing

together.  Stay Safe!

Go Trojans,

Tim Perrigot

SOFT CLOSURE- The soft closure will remain in effect for the remainder of the 2019-2020 school year. We will not reopen our campuses, but will continue to offer educational services through distance learning. Special Education and Food Services will additionally be made available. While we provide these services, we will make best efforts to keep all staff members healthy. We are asking staff to use the first two weeks of May to distribute final assignments, finalize grades, have students gather belongings, return technology, prepare classrooms for summer cleaning, finalize state reports, and complete summative evaluations. Contact with students will be expected to continue until the last day of school on May 21, 2020.

GRAB-N-GO MEALS- We have served over 10,000 meals. We will continue to provide meal service Monday-Thursday 10:30-12:00 until the last day of school on May 21, 2020

GRADUATION- High school graduation is May 20, 7:00 PM at Wendell High School. We are planning on hosting the event on the football field. More details to follow at a later date. Congratulations Seniors!

NEGOTIATIONS- We are eagerly awaiting numbers from the SDE. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the CARES Act, the SDE is behind completing their budget. Hence, negotiations have been delayed until June.

WMS/WHS SUMMER SCHOOL- Hub City Alternative Summer School will continue as planned June 1- June 25, 8:00 AM-12:00 NOON. More information to follow at a later date.

SUPPLEMENTAL LEVY- The only way you can vote in the upcoming election and school levy is by an absentee ballot. If you want to vote, you need to get this done ASAP. Instructions are below.

Voting procedure for May 2020

1. Go to idahovotes.gov
2. Click on "Vote Early Idaho Request an Absentee Ballot"
3. Click on "I'm Ready to Get Started"
4. Click on "Begin My Absentee Ballot Request"
5. Next you will need to choose from two items under "Next, do you have a valid Idaho State ID (Drivers License Number) and your Social Security Number". You will choose "Yes, I do" or No, I do not".
6. Follow instructions accordingly.

Once it goes through, your ballot will arrive in the mail in just a few days.

*Be patient with the website – they're experiencing MANY requests.