

# Knappa School District Community Connections Newsletter

## Hilda Lahti Attendance Rates at 97%

Even though school is now online, students (and their families) have done a great job of attending classes. This will really help with their educational success and in building a sense of community. Principal McMullen says, “We are glad that families are working hard to find ways to help our students attend. I love to see them each day when I visit classes.”

As an incentive to attend, the students voted to have Mr. Gremer (counselor) receive a pie in the face. The results are in the photo to the right.

Great job Bulldogs!

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## Ballot Collection Site

The Knappa School District is a ballot collection site. Our secure ballot box is located in the parking lot adjacent to the football field.

## Toy Drive is Going Well

The Principal's Council at Hilda Lahti Middle School is comprised of student leaders at the school. As a service project, they have been gathering donated toys to provide for the students of Santiam Canyon Elementary School (Mill City, OR -east of Salem). Many students at that school lost their homes and community in the recent wild fires and our students wanted to help them.

The Principal at Santiam Canyon shared with the Knappa students that there was sufficient relief coming in to help with shelter and food, but that students who lost everything also need some joy. She suggested that our students provide toys to give them a bit of normalcy. The toy drive is more than halfway to our goal of 220 toys!



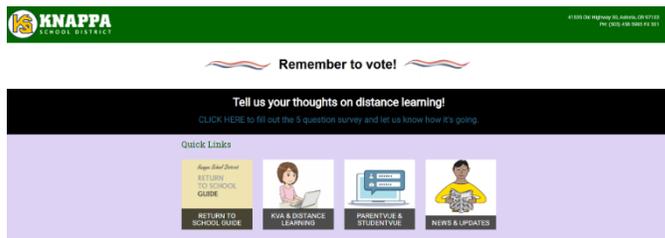
### Get your Logger gear!

- Hoodies - \$10 or 2 for \$15
  - T-shirts - \$5
  - Face masks - \$6



## Thank you to Day Care Partners

When our K-3 students needed to start distance learning due to high County COVID-19 case counts, Crossroads Community Church, the Brownsmead Grange, and the Knappa Assembly of God Church provided their facilities to Knappa School District students and families for day care. We appreciate the generosity of these facilities in meeting this community need.



## New Website Launched

At the start of this school year, Knappa School District launched its new website. It has a more streamlined look and feel and should make information easier to find. Many thanks to Oxana Miller for her hard work on this refresh of this important community information tool.

If you haven't looked at it, the left tab on the front page is our "Back to School" guide with a lot of information about this unique school year as well as advice and resources for parents during all types of instruction, including distance learning.

The web address is [www.knappa.k12.or.us](http://www.knappa.k12.or.us)

## STEAM Kits

STEAM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. One of our teachers has initiated a grant funded program where we send home STEAM kits to families who are doing distance learning.

With these kits, students are able to do hands on and creative learning that are engaging AND allow students to gain future employment skills.

Thanks to Christal Miller for initiating this project and thanks to the Columbia Pacific Assistance League for their generous donation to support this program.