

ASD Parents and Families:

Congratulations on completing your first full week in Remote Learning! I hope that your family has found a groove with their new daily school schedule and your student is engaged in learning. I want to inform District families of some upcoming school district discussions regarding our District learning models.

In late July, the Astoria School District Board of Directors made a decision to begin the 2020-2021 school year in Remote Learning. Part of that decision was to re-evaluate the District's status regarding students' return to onsite instruction at the beginning of October.

As you are likely aware, last week Clatsop County had a large number of confirmed COVID-19 cases, both isolated to a workplace, as well as throughout the county. This outbreak also included school-age children, which for the past six months, the county has not experienced. According to the school health metrics that guide the District's decisions for onsite learning, this outbreak has set us back at least three weeks from onsite instruction.

The Astoria School District Board of Directors will be discussing the re-opening of schools and the status of Remote Learning at their October 14, 2020, Board Study Session; this will be a virtual meeting set to begin at 5:45 PM. If you would like to listen to this meeting, please dial 1 970-591-3773 and use the PIN: 265 177 200#. The District will not take public comment during the Study Session Meeting. If you would like to submit a written public comment during the Regular Board Meeting on October 14, 2020, at 7:00 PM, please email any relevant public comment to Marisa Flukinger mflukinger@astoria.k12.or.us by 5:00 PM.

If you have questions or would like to discuss the re-opening of schools, please feel free to email me at choppes@astoria.k12.or.us or call me at (503) 325-6441.

Thank you for your partnership as we continue to prioritize our students, staff, and community's health and safety.

Sincerely,

Craig Hoppes
Superintendent
Astoria School District