

Date:

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### Mt. Mahogany Newsletter - Principal's Message



# **Calendar**

3/16 - 3/27 - No School -Statewide Closure

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# Dear Mt. Mahogany Families,

We wanted to thank you so much for being understanding and flexible during this time of uncertainty. We also appreciate your positivity and optimism as we embark on this journey, encountering obstacles we haven't faced before. As we persevere through whatever challenges we face, we invite you to continue to rely on this positivity and hope, having confidence and belief in each other, and in ourselves, which will enable a brighter future. We have an amazing school community, with

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incredible teachers and support staff that want to make sure your child is still receiving high levels of learning.

#### Here are a few details we are able to share at this time.

- \*Although there are many rumors, as of right now there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the ASD Community.
- \*As directed by the State of Utah, Mt. Mahogany Elementary, along with all public schools in Utah will dismiss beginning Monday, March 16, 2020 for two weeks in response to the ongoing concerns regarding COVID-19. More information can be found here.
- \*School "dismissal" means that adults will continue to be in the schools providing electronic (or preparing) educational materials for students to continue their learning.
- \*Online Extension Preparation: Our teachers will be working Monday and Tuesday, March 16-17, preparing their online lessons, resources, and instruction materials for students. Online/ Home Based Instruction will launch on Wednesday, March 18. Prior to Wednesday morning, teachers will email you their plans and expectations for online/ home based learning. More information will be made available to explain details of the online/ home platform as teachers use this time to prepare. Please watch for specific information prior to the March 18 launch.
- \*Lunch/ Breakfast Options: Mt. Mahogany Nutritional Services will provide meals for all students at each school even though schools are not open. Meals will be "grab and go" during the following hours:

#### Breakfast between 8-9 AM

#### Lunch between 11 - Noon

The normal process will be used for meals. Students will be charged through their lunch account unless they qualify for free and reduced lunch. Beginning Wednesday, March 18, accomodations can be made for a student to pick up both meals at the breakfast time as needed.

\*Chromebook Check Out -- School Chromebooks will be available, if needed, for those without a device in their home who need one to continue their academic

progress. Please only check out a Chromebook if you do not have other devices at home for your student(s). Only 1 Chromebook will be available per family for checkout. Like many other aspects of our society right now, we are asking that you do not take more than needed so that we have the resources to help everyone. Chromebook checkout will begin on Wednesday, March 18, at 8:00am and go through 3:30pm in our front office. Chromebooks and charging cords will be given with the devices upon checkout. We will only check out devices for Mt. Mahogany students, but Chromebooks can and should be shared between siblings within a family. Parents checking out a Chromebook will need to fill out an online form at our front office upon checkout, and consent to the agreement document linked to the form to get a device. Internet use on district Chromebooks will be filtered, even at home. Please supervise usage on Chromebooks as much as possible. Inappropriate online usage discovered will result in a loss of technology privileges. Parents are responsible for loss, theft, or damage.

\*Love and Logic Parent Support Group Night, originally scheduled for March 18, has been postponed to a yet to be determined date.

\*School Play/ 4th Grade Program Participants: With the closure of schools, there will be no extra curricular activities until school resumes. The 4th Grade Program scheduled for March 25 will be rescheduled to a later date.

\*Special Education Students' Goals: A plan is being developed to meet IEP goals for Special Education students and more information will be coming.

\*Office Hours: Our front office will still be open, despite the closure, from 7:30-4:00pm each day, Monday-Friday.

### \*Updates will continue to be published at alpineschools.org

If you have further questions, please contact our front office and look for additional communication in the coming days. We look forward to this opportunity, and seeing all of the students when we return back to school!

Sincerely,

Mr. Shirley, Principal

## **School Announcements:**



\*Cookie Dough Fundraiser Update March 2-17-- Our cookie dough fundraiser will continue despite the closure! Plan on returning all materials and packets to our front office, if you're able to, on March 18, or as soon as possible after that date, so we can process the orders. Prizes can also be picked up in our front office.

We are hearing of a lot of items that have been sold, but there's still plenty of time to sell more! Remember that a portion of all sales go to help Mt. Mahogany. Our goal is to raise \$35,000 to revamp, refresh, and update our playground equipment. Please return all signed slips with your child in order to receive prizes. Here are additional directions:

- 1) Purchase items out of the catalog for you and your family.
- 2) Share your fundraiser on social media, by email, or text on <a href="https://www.ShopFund.com">www.ShopFund.com</a>
- 3) Ask neighbors, co-workers, friends & others to purchase and show their support.

Please know that your assistance this year in particular will make a huge difference and thank you in advance for your participation in the fundraiser! There are several prizes available for our top sellers! If you choose to donate directly to Mt. Mahogany, you can still get a prize for every \$20 donated! Good luck selling and thanks for supporting our school!

Kindergarten Registration for 2020-2021— As our office will still be open during the closure, registration for upcoming Kindergarten students will take be March 16-27 in our front office. Kindergarten packets containing all the materials you need are already in the office if you would like to come by and pick one up. If you have neighbors new to the area with Kindergarten age students, please remind them about this upcoming registration.

## PTA At a Glance:

Dear Parents,

Have a great two weeks and we'll see you on March 30th!

Thank you!

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"Give One Day"



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