

Dear Columbia Elementary Families,

Thank you for your patience as we continue to plan all of the details that go along with starting the year with virtual learning. I realize you are trying to make decisions about what is best for your family for the 2020-2021 school year. We as a school district are hopeful that our county COVID numbers will continue to decrease and we can return to in-person learning early as soon as possible. Until then, we will continue to do our very best to support both you and your student(s).

Columbia Elementary will be hosting Parent Conferences on September 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. The goal behind these conferences are to help support and prepare both students and families to be successful with virtual learning. Your child's teacher will be contacting you regarding the scheduling of conferences on Monday, August 24th. During your child's conference, students and families will have the opportunity to meet their teacher, ask questions, and review their child's daily schedule and informational forms. In addition, we will also complete a Fall reading assessment with your child. The assessment should take roughly 10-15 minutes and will be done immediately after your conference. If you are uncomfortable meeting in person, our teachers are happy to meet with you virtually.

Conferences will be the following times...

September 1, 2020: 8:30AM-3:30PM September 2, 2020: 12:30PM-7:00PM September 3, 2020: 8:30AM-3:30PM

Columbia Elementary will also be passing out school supplies and curriculum to every child in grades K-4. Additionally, we will also have chromebooks available to students who are in need of a technology device. Chromebooks and school supplies will be available for pick up on August 26-28th.

Chromebook and school supply pick up times are...

August 26, 2020: 8:30AM-3:30PM August 27, 2020: 12:00PM-6:00PM August 28, 2020: 8:30AM-3:30PM If you would like a Chromebook but are unavailable during the allotted time, please contact the office at 360-841-2900.

If you would like to have your child to have his or her picture taken, Bell Studios will be at Columbia Elementary on August 27th from 12:00PM-6:00PM. Picture packets will be available on site.

Lastly, I would like to thank you for your partnership as we embrace this journey together. As more information arises, we will do our best to communicate it with you. For the 2020-2021 school year we will be using communication platforms such as Facebook, Skyward and newsletters. As always, please feel free to contact the front office at 360-841-2900 or starkeyd@woodlandschools.org with any questions. We are happy to help in any way we can.

Sincerely,

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