



Eagle Creek Elementary

Family Newsletter

September 2020

September Events

September 1-3

Daily Class Zoom Meeting- AM
(see teacher e-mail for details)

Family Connection Conferences (sign up via Bloomz App- see teacher e-mail for details)

September 4

No School

September 7

No School- Labor Day

September 8-10

Daily Class Zoom Meeting- AM
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Family Connection Conferences (sign up via Bloomz App- see teacher e-mail for details)

September 11

Student Independent Learning

September 14-17

Class Zooms and Independent Learning

September 16

Early Release- No PM Zoom Classes

September 18

Student Independent

Here we go! Distance Learning 2.0

To our Incredible Eagle Creek Parents,

Did you know that each year our staff has a "theme" that guides our professional development and work with EC kids? This year, our theme was supposed to be "*Eagle Creek- the happiest school on earth*". When kids are there, in person, this is entirely true- a feeling that we are incredibly proud of!

As your principal and a parent of two kids that attend Eagle Creek (2nd Grade and 5th Grade), I can honestly say that my heart longs for COVID-19 to be well on its way in the history books and for our kids to be back in person at Eagle Creek so we can truly be the happiest school on earth!

It took me a few weeks to grieve the loss of "normal" school and adjust to the idea of Distance Learning 2.0- I am sure you feel the same way. I want to assure you that our staff is hard at work learning the ins and outs of our online learning platforms and we are committed to making Distance Learning 2.0 incredible for your kids. We thank you for your faith in us, flexibility, partnership, and grace as we improve significantly on our distance learning offerings that happened in the Spring and aim for kids being back in person as soon as COVID-ly possible.

We all long for normalcy and hope it happens sooner than later. Until then, I commit to you that our Eagle Creek staff will work hard to ensure that learning continues- even at a distance.

Bethany Belisle
Principal

Family Connection Conferences - *Our First 6 Days*

As you know, school starts on Tuesday, September 1st. The first six days of school will be a soft start to the year to allow us to build relationships with students and families.

During the first six days:

- Students will participate in a short Zoom with their teacher each morning to get to know their teacher and classmates as well as learn about how Distance Learning works (look for communication from your child's teacher).
- Teachers will spend the rest of the day individually conferencing with families via Zoom while students complete a few simple assignments/activities.

Your child's teacher recently sent an e-mail to you inviting you to join the Bloomz Communication App. This e-mail will explain how to

Learning

September 21-24

Class Zooms and Independent Learning

September 25

Student Independent Learning

September 28- 30

Class Zooms and Independent Learning



Need a Chromebook and Supplies?

Every Eagle Creek student can pick up a Chromebook and student supplies so that they are ready for Distance Learning! Distribution happened last week but we are here to support families that have not been able to pick items up. Just come to the EC office between 9-4 and we can get you set up!

Please note: Supplies distributed will be important learning tools when we return to school. Keep them in a safe location at home and be prepared to bring supplies with you when we return to in-person learning!

download the app and join your child's class.

Once you have done this, please use the My Sign-ups feature to sign up for a Family Connection Conference. The goal of the conference is to build relationships with your family. Teachers will also have the opportunity to share specifics about schedules and student work expectations during this time.

Our Learning Platforms



Grades K-2

Our teachers have been hard at work learning how to put learning online using the **Seesaw App**.

Both students and parents will learn about how to use this learning tool throughout the first few weeks of school. In addition to Chromebooks, students have also been provided important tools for learning in their "supply bags" which include fine motor activities that need to be completed paper-pencil.

Need Support?

Please contact our school office at 360-618-6270 and ask to be connected with Mrs. Belisle or Mr. Barci- we are here to support you and your child as we access learning online- and when we are back in person!



Grades 3-5

3rd-5th Grade students will use **Google Classroom** as a learning platform. Our 4th and 5th grade students are familiar with this platform and should be able to access this with out breaking a sweat!

Third grade teachers are ready to support their students as they learn this platform and our school is ready to help as well.

3rd-5th grade student supplies (including paper pencil tools) were distributed with Chromebooks.

