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Byron Area Schools

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Dear Byron Families:

Thank you for completing the survey last week indicating your learning preference as we start the new year. Based on the information collected, and in collaboration with our teachers and support staff, we have further finalized the learning plan details for the new academic year.

Listed below are the in-person and online learning teacher assignments for elementary students:

Kindergarten

In-person Learning
Ms. Filippone
Mrs. Muehlhauser

Online Learning
Mrs. Williams

First Grade

In-person Learning
Mrs. Bedell
Mrs. Vandemark

Online Learning
Mrs. Williams

Second Grade

In-person Learning
Mrs. Cornell
Mrs. Gerstler

Online Learning
Mrs. Streeter

Third Grade

In-person Learning
Mrs. Leask
Mrs. Zachar

Online Learning
Mrs. Streeter

Fourth Grade

In-person Learning
English Language Arts & Social Studies: Mrs. Staton
Mathematics & Science: New Teacher to be Hired

Online Learning
English Language Arts & Social Studies: Mrs. Montini
Mathematics & Science: Mr. Cross

Fifth Grade

In-person Learning

English Language Arts & Social Studies: Mrs. Montini
Mathematics & Science: Mr. Cross

Online Learning

English Language Arts & Social Studies: Mrs. Montini
Mathematics & Science: Mr. Cross

Sixth Grade

In-person Learning

English Language Arts & Social Studies: New Teacher to be Hired
Mathematics & Science: Mrs. Thompson

Online Learning

English Language Arts & Social Studies: New Teacher to be Hired
Mathematics & Science: Mrs. Thompson

All in-person learning elementary students will participate in our special classes of Art, Computer, Library, Music, and Physical Education. Students will eat in their assigned classroom for lunch. Our outside space will be used for Recess with each grade level assigned a specific time.

In-person learning elementary students should expect the following:

- Students will wear a facial covering when in common areas.
- 6th Grade students will wear a facial covering in the classroom.
- Students will face the same direction in the classroom.
- The sharing of materials will be limited.
- Students should expect an in-person experience that integrates technology as instructors will be delivering content, instruction, and learning activities through Google Classroom.
- Surfaces in classrooms will be disinfected between each classroom change
- Students will be assigned and permitted to use a locker.

Lists with each child's classroom assignment will be posted on Monday, August 17th at our Elementary School main office entrance.

Listed below are the in-person and online learning expectations for middle and high school students:

In-person learning secondary students should expect the following:

- Students will wear a facial covering at all times (other than while eating)
- Students will face the same direction in the classroom.
- The sharing of materials will be limited.
Students should expect an in-person experience that integrates technology as instructors will be delivering content, instruction, and learning activities through Google Classroom.
- Surfaces in classrooms will be disinfected between each classroom change
- Students will be assigned and permitted to use a locker.

Online learning students should expect the following:

- **Workload:** To have at least 1 hour of work per class per day, totaling 6 hours/day or 30 hours/week. This workload may include joining the class live, as well as activities completed outside of the of the designated class period.
- **Teacher Assignment:** Students will follow the class periods, times, and teachers as included on their course schedule.
- **Availability:** Students should be available during their assigned class time every instructional day. Students will be expected to participate in synchronous and asynchronous activities. Teachers may not be live every hour or for the entirety of the hour, but a student should be available to be live at that time.
- **Deadlines:** Each classroom will develop assignment deadlines consistent with both students who are in-person and online.
- **Connectivity:** Families are responsible for connectivity. Paper alternatives will not be provided.
- **Communication:** Students should expect to be in daily contact and engagement with each of their instructors. Students are expected to use Google Classroom or District Email to contact teachers. Please allow 24 hours for a response during the week.

All middle and high school students will receive their course schedules electronically by Monday, August 17th.

Again, please contact Mr. Haynes, Mr. Dobson, or me with any questions.

We look forward to the start of the new year on Thursday, August 20th.

Educationally Yours,



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