

Dear Fox Hollow Parents and Guardians,

Please know that although schools in Alpine School District will not be open for regular school, your Fox Hollow family will be here for you throughout the extended school closure. I personally will be sending out information periodically to share updates during the next two weeks to set expectations for student learning and to answer questions and address concerns that may come up along the way.

This is the first email that I am sending out to parents to extend support and to clarify specifically how teachers will be providing online instruction for students, school “grab and go” meals and how families who don’t have technology can check out devices from the school for student use. I hope this will answer some of the questions that you currently have for me.

Please look on our school website, Facebook page and the Alpine District website for updates

ONLINE INSTRUCTION AND DAILY ROUTINE:

Teachers will be providing online instruction for students starting **Wednesday, March 18th, 2020 and currently running through Friday, March 27th, 2020**. Both Monday and Tuesday, of this week, are preparation days for teachers and staff. They are busily preparing instruction and assignments for your students. If new adjustments to those dates arise, parents will be notified.

Parents will receive an email contact from their child’s teacher with instructions outlining school work and activities for students at home. Parents are encouraged to set up a learning schedule for their children that best fits with personal home schedules. Teachers will be sending daily, reasonable communication at 8:00 a.m., so that families will have time to help students continue learning each day. Assignments and activities may be given from the teacher daily or they may be sending them out in a weekly online packet. As questions come, please feel free to email your child’s teacher for clarification. Teachers will be checking their emails throughout the day to provide timely feedback and support.

Library Books: Our librarian, Lisa Adams, has asked that I tell parents that the district **SORA/overdrive** is available by logging in with their student id (skyward number) and their last name is their password. More information will be coming home in a flyer distributed when students pick up breakfasts and lunches. I will also send it via email to you this week.

Epic is another source for reading, also available for use at home. They are not requiring a password for the next 30 days, but your child’s teacher may be sharing more information with you on Epic.

Finally, you can always look on the Fox Hollow instagram page where there are virtual author read-alouds and ideas for activities to do at home.

https://www.instagram.com/foxxhollow_library/?hl=en

“GRAB AND GO” MEALS:

For those students and parents that wish to continue to participate with the breakfast and lunch program at school, Fox Hollow’s Nutrition Services will provide student breakfast and lunch for the next two weeks on a “grab and go” format.

- **8:00-9:00 a.m. for breakfast**
- **11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. for lunch**

Please feel free to come and pick up breakfast or lunch during the hours listed above.

CHROME BOOK CHECKOUT:

We will be distributing a limited number of chrome books to students in grades 1st-6th that do not have access to a device at home. On **Wednesday, March 18th, (9:00 am to 3:00 pm / front office)** you may come in that window for checkout a chrome book. *Note that you must attend with your student to complete our parent consent form that allows us to assign a device to your student. We will also work with your student while on-site to make sure that they can log into the device before you leave. A few things to understand about the process on Wednesday:

- There are a limited number of chrome books available to our students and they are intended only for those students who have no other means to access learning resources from home. If there are more than one student attending Fox Hollow Elementary in the home, the school will decide the number of chrome books that will be sent home. Please do not take a chrome book if your student already has access to a computer or tablet at home.
- The chrome book is a temporary loan and will need to be returned to the school as soon as school resumes.
- If you do not have internet access at home, Comcast is offering some assistance.

Comcast:

Free for 60 days. No contract required.

<https://www.internetessentials.com/covid19>

For all students, but specifically students in Kindergarten to second grade, we will have some books for check out and other materials & supplies available for use at home. **These materials and supplies will be spelled out in the initial email from your child's teacher. Look for an email from your child's teacher by Tuesday, March 17, in the afternoon.**

Please let our children know that we are thinking about them and we will miss having them with us every day. Let teachers know of any unique needs and suggestions that you might have, as the ideas arise. Students and their needs are our main focus.

Please also feel free to e-mail me at sbrooks@alpinedistrict.org or call the school at (801)-610-8706 if you have any questions, concerns or suggestions. Our office staff will be at the school for regular school hours to help in any way that we can. You can also look on our Fox Hollow website, Fox Hollow Facebook page and the Alpine District website for information.

We will get through this together!
Stay Safe and Well.

Shawn Brooks
Principal, Fox Hollow Elementary