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Tuesday, July 13, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I just wanted to reach out and give everyone a midsummer update, as there has been much happening on both the state level as well as on our school sites.

First and foremost, I want to reach out to all of you and encourage any of you who may be interested in one of our many Instructional Aide or Before/After School Program positions. We are expanding the number of classroom instructional aides and need great people to fill these positions. So if you are interested in working part time and making a difference in the lives of our students, please contact the district office at 530/347-3411.

The Evergreen Elementary Library and Office switch is expected to be completed by the time school starts and is moving along very well. Additionally, all of the campuses will have their parking lots resurfaced by the end of next week. And finally, the roof replacement at the Bend School is complete and looks great! The new metal roof will last for many years.

#### State COVID-19 Information

On Monday, July 12th, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) released their current new mandates for schools for the 2021/2022 school year regarding COVID-19. I have attached a link to their website and to the document they have initially established for governing K-12 schools. I have a meeting with all Tehama County Superintendents, the County Superintendent, and the Tehama County Public Health this Thursday to discuss these new mandates from CDPH. Additionally, we are waiting on Cal/OSHA to update their guidance as well before we can make any decisions and plan for what will be in place at Evergreen USD starting in August. At this point, CDPH has mandated that masks will be worn at school while indoors for all staff and students regardless of vaccination status for next school year. However, there have been a lot of changes (even in the last 24 hours) to this guidance; therefore, we are taking a wait and see approach to this matter. I understand that some of you may be concerned about this mandate. I would encourage you to contact your state representatives, as these mandates are coming to us from the state (CDPH), and not our local school boards or even local health officials. If/when these mandates change, I will keep you posted.

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[CDPH K-12 School Guidance](#)

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California Department of Public Health (916-558-1784)  
Cal/OSHA (510-286-7000)  
State Superintendent of Public Instruction Thurmond (916-319-0800)

Long Term ISP/Homeschool

We will again be offering long term ISP/Homeschool for those families that prefer that program for the 2021/2022 academic year. Please click on the link below to pre-register for this program. If you are planning to utilize this program, you must complete this form by August 1st in order to ensure a spot and to allow us time to staff the program appropriately.

[Long Term ISP/Homeschool pre-registration](#)

Upcoming Important Dates

School will begin on Monday, August 16th, and class placement will be available in Aeries starting Monday, August 9th.

Families who registered and were admitted to our Before/After School Program for the 2021/2022 school year will be receiving an email on Monday, August 9th, prompting them to complete this year's registration in our new digital portal - Community Pass.

Our annual Title I Parent Meetings will be held on Thursday, August 12th, in the early evening on each school site. More information will come out as we get closer to that date.

All Back to School Nights will be held in person on Thursday, August 12th after the Title I Parent Meetings. Specific times will be forthcoming. We ask that only parents/guardians attend. No children please.

If you have any questions, the District Office is open all summer and can be reached at 530/347-3411 or email at [eusdweb@evergreenusd.org](mailto:eusdweb@evergreenusd.org). We look forward to seeing you and your students very soon.

Sincerely,

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