



Brimley Area Schools

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RE: Online Learning Day

Dear Brimley Area Schools Family:

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. I also hope that you have been able to enjoy some of the nice fall days we have had thus far. Unfortunately, the leaves changed color way too fast this year and are now falling rapidly to the ground. The fall rain has moved more to lake-effect and that usually signals the arrival of that white stuff. If you have not done so, get out and enjoy all that fall has to offer in our great area.

In recent days, the Upper Peninsula has seen an increase of COVID-19 cases that has prompted a change from Phase 5 to Phase 4 for our region. We began our school year with several of the safety protocols that were covered in Phases 4 and 5 that made the transition back to Phase 4 much easier. However, we do need to make an adjustment to our delivery method for face-to-face instruction to better serve all students.

Beginning on October 23rd and every Friday there after until further notice, our district will be moving to a one day per week where all students will attend school online. Our face-to-face students will attend school Monday-Thursday and then online for Friday. One reason for this change is to allow for more deep cleaning of areas in our school to help keep students healthy and safe. Further, this change will allow for more attention to the notion of online learning for all students if we are required to quarantine or worse, be closed indefinitely. Our faculty really need this time to reach out more to our current online students, as well as allow for our face-to-face students to be acclimated to the program. There will be a document developed that will further explain the educational goals for our Friday online learning day.

If you eat meals at school and would like to continue that service, please call the office and we will get you on the list for delivery. We will deliver in the same manner as we did during the last school closure.

If your student is attending the Career Center at Sault High, they will still be able to attend that programming. Transportation from Brimley Area Schools to Sault High will still be offered. Further, if you currently drive yourself, that will still be an option.

If your child plays a sport, practice times will remain after school so that student-athletes can concentrate on schoolwork during the day as if they were in school. Games will still take place at their normally scheduled times.

We trust this change will help all students and faculty become better equipped for the online learning program and the possibility of further school closings.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Reattoir", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Brian Reattoir, Ed.S.
Superintendent of Schools