



Arroyo School

Principal's Message

10/22/20

Dear Arroyo Families,

I hope you're doing well and were able to take some time this weekend to step away from work and school and enjoy the extra downtime with family.

As we move into Week 2 of Distance Learning, hopefully we can all settle into the routine a bit more. Teachers have been working hard to find ways to move the typical structures and routines from the classroom into a distance learning model. Our goals have been to provide a consistent structure, keep kids busy throughout the day, and continue the learning the best we can. This will continue to shift and grow as we explore ways to continue teaching new content and supporting students from home. We know for some families this has worked fairly well so far, and for others it has been quite stressful. We also know that everyone is doing the best they can and it's okay if you're not quite keeping up. Student and family wellness comes first! Please communicate with your child's teachers so that they can help you prioritize assignments or provide extra support as needed. In addition to teachers, we have counseling support available and I'm here to help as well. Don't hesitate to reach out if you need anything.

Along with continuing classroom activities, it's critical that we find ways to stay connected as a school community. Our Eagle Council had a spirit week planned for this coming week and we're going to take in virtual (with a few additions). Please know this is completely optional and not intended to add any stress to an already stressful time. Our goal is to add a little fun and another way for students to stay connected. We have a theme for each day

and I've set up a Google Photo album for each. Your child can post a photo of themselves each day and see the photos others have posted.

- Monday - [Show your Eagle Pride](#) - post a picture in your Arroyo logo-wear or purple
- Tuesday - [At-home Classroom](#) - post a picture of you in your at-home work space
- Wednesday - [Wacky Wednesday](#) - show us your wackiest you
- Thursday - [Me & My Pet Day](#) - post a picture of you with your pet; a favorite stuffed friend works too, or even a photo with a picture of a pet you wish you had
- Friday - [Pajama Day](#) - post a picture in your PJs

Don't forget to look at our [SCSD Distance Learning Portal](#). In addition to our daily attendance, there are a whole host of great resources there including our [Counselor's Corner](#), and our [Fitness & Wellness page](#) with some "Distance Learning Recess" ideas, and our Nurses' Newsletter.

Thanks for all of your support during these challenging times. Stay well!

Warmly,

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