

COTOPAXI PRINCIPAL REPORT

Mr. Ken Eckelberry

March 20, 2020



To all Cotopaxi parents,

I want to apologize for not getting this information to you on Thursday, but as you know, it's been busy around the school. The COVID-19 crisis has brought about many changes and has challenged educators across the nation to adapt and do things differently to meet the needs of their students. I am confident that our staff is up to the task and the struggles we are currently experiencing will make us better at what we do and draw us closer together as a family. Earlier this week Governor Polis announced the extension of the school closing date to April 17. This means that students will be able to return to school as "normal" on April 20. This is making the assumption that no further cancellations are issued.

On March 30, there will be information sent online for those that have internet access and packets created for those who do not have online access. *Each week*, there will be packets available for pick up at the school and also when the food bags are distributed. A vital piece to the class assignments being sent online is that we have email addresses that are correct. If your email address has changed recently, please share that information with the school. The class assignments/activities will be completed by the students and sent back to their teachers via the internet or returned to the school when picking up the next packet. Communication by teachers will occur as to the student's performance on assignments and their status in class. Please be sure to check updates through goedustar as well.

This is a different process in how we've done things in the past and I'm sure areas of our process will need to be tweaked to make it as effective as possible. Please be patient and let us know if there's an area that needs to be improved. As always, our goal as a school is to meet the needs of our students to the best of our abilities.

The information listed below is a general description of how each teacher will be communicating the students' class assignments/activities.

Online Programs and Resources for the Different Grades and Subject Areas

Preschool (Mrs. Leatherbery)- Mrs. Leatherbery is sending home weekly collage sheets, poems with the letter of the week and possibly a weekly color sheet. She wants to stress the importance of having a daily routine including the outside play. If families have internet access check out the websites and

activity ideas that were sent home. Along with the daily routine, it is very important to read to your children and ask them prediction questions, why, how did you know, etc.

Mrs. Leatherbery will communicate with her families by texting and email.

Kindergarten (Mrs. Lang)- Class DOJO will be used as the communication piece for kindergarten students and parents. Here are some of the online programs that will be used-

1. Reading Eggs and Mathseeds www.readingeggs.com
2. ABCmouse.com
3. www.communityplaythings.com
4. gonoodle.com

Packets will be sent home to those families who do not have internet access.

1st grade (Ms. Coats)- Class DOJO will be used as the communication piece for 1st grade students and parents. Here are some of the online programs that will be used-

1. Reading Eggs
2. Math Seeds
3. Get Epic- this is a digital library with 1000's of books for students to read and take quizzes.

Packets will be sent home to those families who do not have internet access.

2nd grade (Ms. Matthews)- Class DOJO will be used as the communication piece for 2nd grade students and parents. Here are some of the online programs that will be used-

1. SuperKids online
2. Mathseeds
3. Reading Eggs as a supplement

Packets will be sent home to those families who do not have internet access.

3rd grade (Ms. Reed)- Mrs. Reed will communicate with her families through texting and email. Please make sure she has your current cell phone number and email address. Here are some of the online programs that will be used-

1. Learning Farm
2. Reading Plus
3. Typing.com
4. Get Epic

Packets will be sent home to those families who do not have internet access.

4th grade (Mrs. Munday)- Mrs. Munday will communicate with her families through texting and email. Please make sure she has your current cell phone number and email address. Here are some of the online programs that will be used-

1. Reading Plus
2. Learning Farm
3. Khan Academy

Packets will be sent home to those families who do not have internet access.

5th grade (Mr. Schwindt)- Mr. Schwindt will communicate with his families through texting and email. Please make sure he has your current cell phone number and email address. Here are some of the online programs that will be used-

1. Learning Farm
2. Legends of Learning
3. Reading Plus
4. Typing.com

Packets will be sent home to those families who do not have internet access.

MS Reading/ELA (Mrs. Schoech)- Mrs. Schoech will communicate with her students through texting and email. Please make sure she has your current cell phone number and email address. Here are some of the online programs that will be used-

6th grade- Reading Plus, Learning Farm

7th grade- Reading Plus, Learning Farm

8th grade- Learning Farm, Reading Plus, Battle novels for those involved with the Battle of the Books

Packets will be sent home to those families who do not have internet access.

HS Math & Computer Science (Mr. Brown)- Pre-Calculus, Algebra II, Geometry, College Algebra
Mr. Brown will be using Khan Academy for all of his math classes. Packets will be sent home that use the classroom textbooks for those students who don't have internet service at home.

Google Classroom will be used for Mr. Brown's Computer Science class.

MS/HS Math & Business (Ms. Barry)- 6th Math, 7th Math, 8th Math, Algebra I, Newspaper, Entrepreneurship, Business

Ms. Barry will use *Google Classroom* for Newspaper, her two business classes, and her math classes. CPM Math Homework Help is an online site the students can access for assistance. Khan Academy will also be a resource that will be used with some students.

Packets will be sent home to those families who do not have internet access.

HS English (Mrs. Coleman)- English I, English II, English III, Comp & Lit., Honors Comp & Lit, Yearbook, College & Career English

Mrs. Coleman will communicate assignments with Common Lit. through Google Classroom. Those students who do not have internet access at home will be given weekly packets that match the online assignments.

Science (Mr. Fieth)- 6th grade, 7th grade, 8th grade, Biology, Earth Science

Mr. Fieth will communicate with his students through texting and email. Please make sure he has your current cell phone number and email address.

HS & MS Science- Assignments/activities will be given online to those students who have internet access. For those students who don't have internet access, they will need their science book and weekly packets will be given to them. For some classes, project-based learning may be used if the resources and the internet is available.

Science & Foreign Language (Mrs. Dotter)- Physical Science, Physics, Chemistry in Society, Spanish I, Spanish II

Physical Science- Each student should have a Ch 17 packet they can finish for the first week. The students had just started it Thursday (March 12).

Spanish 1 & 2- The students can access the e-book online, so they may not need their books. Mrs. Dotter will continue to assign sections online.

Physics- Students can finish Ch 23 Review Questions, Rankings and Plug and Chug problems as per their course schedule and work through all the Ch 23 pages in their workbooks the first week.

Chemistry in Society- The students are working on the next chapter in Chemistry in Society.

Social Studies (Mr. Hines)- 6th grade, 7th grade, Personal Finance, Geography, 8th Computers

For the students who have internet- They will go to Mr. Hines' class website:

<https://hinessocialstudies.wordpress.com/>

Mr. Hines will email their school accounts and have the assignments on the website. Depending on what the assignment is, the students can complete it and submit it to Mr. Hines using google docs, slides, email, etc.

For the students who do not have internet access, I will be giving them the same assignments, just as hard copies.

History (Mr. Christensen)- 8th American History, HS American History, World History, Civics, Computer Science

Mr. Christensen will communicate assignments through Google Classroom. Assignments and grades will be through Google Classroom. Any student who does not have access will be given a prepared packet.

Industrial Arts (Mr. Lutz)- Mr. Lutz will communicate with his students through texting and email.

Please make sure he has your current cell phone number and email address. Assignments/activities will be given online to those students who have internet access. For those students who don't have internet access, weekly packets will be given to them.

Art (Mr. Thornton)- 6th grade Art, 7th grade Art, 8th grade Art, Elementary Art, HS Art, 6th Computers

HS & MS-Mr. Thornton will email the students directly. They will have one weekly assignment.

Elementary- I will email parents with the students assignment.

Both groups will need to take a picture of their project and email it to Mr. Thornton for a grade.

Students without the internet will get a handout with their weekly assignment. Then they will turn it in.

Music (Mrs. Kelly)- Elementary Music, 5th grade Band, 6th grade Band, 7th grade Band, 8th grade Band, HS Band

Mrs. Kelly will communicate with her families and students through texting and email. Please make sure she has your current cell phone number and email address.

Mrs. Kelly will be sending instructions by grade to students with internet access by email. Those students who do not have internet access will receive a packet.

1. **Band Students** 5th through High School should receive: **Band Requirements** and **three practice sheets**.
2. **Fourth Grade** should receive: **Fourth Grade Reorder Class** document, three practice sheets and a copy for the PDF (Trotzki)
3. **K through 3** should receive: **Kindergarten through Third** document

PE & S.P.A.R.K. (Ms. Collins)-

SPARK- Ms. Collins will communicate information, assignments, videos, communication, etc. through Google Classroom. Grades will also be given through Google Classroom. Packet options for students without internet access will be available.

PE-Digital and paper options will be available. There will be videos of games plus links to activities and workouts. Email will be used to get information to students/parents who have internet access.

Packets will be given to the students that don't have access to the internet.

Health & Fitness, CPR (Mrs. Eggleston)- Mrs. Eggleston will communicate with her students through texting and email. Please make sure she has your current cell phone number and email address. Assignments/activities will be given online to those students who have internet access. For those students who don't have internet access, weekly packets will be given to them.

Special Education services (Ms. Daggett)- Ms. Daggett will communicate with her students and parents through texting and email. Please make sure she has your current cell phone number and email address. Ms. Daggett will be talking with the parents of each student as to how services will be implemented.

I want to thank you all for your patience and understanding as we navigate this crisis. As I've talked to parents during the food distribution and at the school when delivering student materials, they have all been overflowing with gratitude. It's during crisis times when a person's true character comes out. We're just at the beginning of this and currently, we're looking at a month more. Hang in there with us. As I stated earlier, let us know if you have a question or if something needs to be improved.

Sincerely,

Ken Eckelberry- Principal