

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

After the return from Winter Break, PHSD there were numerous unconfirmed reports of individuals who had either tested positive for Covid-19 or were considered "close contact."

However, for the week of January 3-7, 2022, PHSD confirmed one (1) positive case of Covid-19 on site.

As usual, the District works closesly with Lane Public Health Authority to determine best course of action. See pg 2 for full update

Vaccination Status Definition

(will be updated upon further guidance from CDC) Not Up-To-Date **Up-To-Date** Boosted or Completed the primary • series of Pfizer or Completed the primary Moderna more than 5 series of Pfizer or Moderna months ago and is not within the last 5 months or Age boosted or 18 + Completed the primary Completed the primary series of J&J within the last series of J&J more than 2 2 months months ago and is not boosted Completed the primary Unvaccinated or series of COVID-19 Age • Has not completed the 5-17 vaccines primary series of any COVID-19 vaccine

PHSD WEEKLY UPDATE 1/11/22

Dates to Remember:

Jan 17 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)

Jan 14, 21, 28 - Early Release Fridays

Jan 28 - End of 2nd qtr

Jan 31 - Grading Day (No School)

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!

We want to give a big "THANK YOU" to our school district, (students, faculty, & parents) for all of your contributions that helped make our Christmas Food boxes and Giving Tree a great success this last season. Through all of your generosity, we were able to serve 14 families in our community.

~Cathy Flory & Tia Politi

Emergency Alert Test Reminder – See pg 3

Remember to view the proposed 22-23 district calendar and let us know what you think!

Feedback/Questions? Contact us <u>HERE</u>



Commitment, Excellence, Community

January 11, 2022

Dear Pleasant Hill Community:

By now, you are aware that the Omicron variant of Covid-19 is a growing concern here in our community. In its latest guidance, the state is continuing to encourage schools to be alert by layering safety measures such as physical distancing, face masks, hand hygiene, enhanced ventilation, contact tracing and urging families to get vaccinated.

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE), Oregon Health Authority (OHA), and Lane Public Health Authority (LPHA) are continuing to say masks and face coverings are still required indoors. However, as you may know, PHSD removed the outdoor masking requirement at the time of a previous regulations change in November. The indoor mask requirement does not apply to people playing and/or competing extracurricular sports at any level. The OHA mask requirement is one of few actual requirements by the state.

Athletic Directors in our league have been meeting at length this past week to discuss the best way to follow OSAA and OHA safety measures in winter athletics. Once agreed upon, PHSD will be implementing the protocols for our home indoor games. Keeping our students in school and participating in extracurricular events is dependent upon everyone doing their part to limit the transmission of COVID-19 in our community. Please expect a more specific update later this week or the first part of next week.

Recently LPHA has reduced the isolation timeline for those who test positive for Covid-19 to 5 days. It was previously 10 days. Close contact to someone with Covid-19 required a 14-day quarantine period; this is now reduced to 5 days after the last day of exposure.

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends that individuals remain up-to-date with their vaccines. The chart on the previous page explains what each vaccination status means.

Please know that all decisions are made in adherence with local and state public health guidelines from LPHA. PHSD, along with other school districts in Oregon, are required to follow the guidance set forth by their local public health authority.

Thank you for your understanding and compliance as we implement COVID-related changes in our district. We will continue to monitor pandemic conditions and revisit protocols with the expectation that restrictions will be lifted as case rates decline.

Respectfully: Scott Linenberger Superintendent Pleasant Hill School District

Emergency alert test on Saturday, January 15, for Highway 58 fire districts

Please do not call 9-1-1 in response to the test.

Residents can also stop by the Lowell Fire Station on Saturday, January 15, between noon and 1:00 p.m. to learn more about preparing for emergencies and emergency alerts. Lowell Rural Fire Protection District, Dexter Rural Fire Protection District, Pleasant Hill-Goshen Fire & Rescue, Lane County Emergency Management and Central Lane 9-1-1 are working together to conduct the test.

This test will not include the Emergency Alert System (television and radio messages) because those are aired countywide and likely to cause unnecessary confusion for residents outside of the test area.

Everyone is encouraged to learn more about how emergency alerts work and strategies to be prepared for an emergency or disaster. Keep reading for resources and links. Part of being prepared for an emergency is knowing how you will receive emergency alerts and life safety information.

Responders use several tools to alert residents. Watch the video at <u>www.LaneCountyOR.gov/EmergencyAlerts</u> to learn more about those tools and decide which ones you will rely on in the event of an emergency or disaster.

Sign up to receive AlertSense emergency alerts at public.alertsense.com/SignUp/.

Evacuation Levels

Level 1 (Be Ready) • Level 2 (Be Set) • Level 3 (GO NOW)

If your home is put under an evacuation notice do you know what that means? There are 3 levels. Knowing what each level means and being prepared will help keep you and your family safe. Watch the video at <u>www.LaneCountyOR.gov/evacuation</u> to learn more about evacuation levels and <u>download an Evacuation Guide here</u>.

Remember to take the 6 Ps when you evacuate:
₩® People & pets • Ø Prescriptions
Papers • □ Personal computer
B Pictures • ■ Plastic

Pets and Animals – Learn about caring for pets in a disaster at <u>www.LaneCountyOR.gov/LCAID</u>. Large animals and livestock require a lot more advance planning in order to safely move them in the event of an evacuation. <u>Read a large animal evacuation guide here.</u>

Two-Weeks Ready - Ideally, every household will have a two-week supply of food, water and basic survival materials.

More Helpful Links

<u>www.ready.gov</u> <u>www.oregon.gov/OEM/Pages/default.aspx</u> <u>www.dolthing.com</u> <u>www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/make-a-plan.html</u> <u>www.LaneCountyOR.gov/prepare</u>.