Great Falls Elementary School



April 30th, 2020

Dear Great Falls Families,

I am sure the biggest question on your mind is how are we going to safely close out this school year while considering the transition into the next school year? The K-5 administrators have been working diligently behind the scenes to map out what we feel accomplishes the following goals:

- 1. To provide continuity of instruction via "distance learning" for all students.
- 2. To ensure the continued health & well-being of all students and staff while closing out the current school year.
- 3. To transition students from current classroom environments to new classroom environments.

In order to accomplish our goals, we have created a timeline to support student and staff needs. In consultation with the K-5 nurses, the elementary schools developed and will follow a consistent procedure for packing up classrooms and distributing student belongings to families. Beginning next week, families will be able to arrive at the Great Falls campus on your designated teacher day between the hours of 9am-11am to pick up your child's belongings. The schedule is as follows:

May 4 - May 8	May 4th 9am-11am Lyons Mosher	May 5th 9am-11am Sinnett Bryson Bryant	May 6th 9am-11am vanLuling Brassard	May 7th 9am-11am Dupuis Poulin	May 8th 9am-11am Stevens Levesque
May 11 - May 15	May 11th 9am-11am Taylor Sturgis	May 12th 9am-11am Whitney Kein	May 13th 9am-11am Alves LaRosa Leeper	May 14th 9am-11am Henry Walsh	May 15th 9am-11am Kelly-Brewster Choate
May 18 - May 22	May 18th 9am-11am Tibbitts Frailey	May 19th 9am-11am Hamann Sands	May 20th 9am-11am Sedenka Stanley	May 21th 9am-11am Mullin Paolino	May 22th 9am-11am Make-up Day!

During the week of May 18th, Great Falls will be sending out information to parents about your child's upcoming grade level through the use of a presentation that will include staff introductions and details on academic and social experiences.

On Thursday, June 11th, a placement email will be sent to parents notifying you of your child's classroom placement for the 2020-2021 school year. On Friday, June 12th, a virtual step up experience will take place with new classrooms and teachers. The last official student day will be on Friday, June 12th.

We understand that celebrating the end of the school year is important and we are still working out the details to recognize the amazing accomplishments of your child. Stay tuned for further details that will be shared in an upcoming letter to you!

We continue to encourage you to please focus on maintaining what you need to do in your family, strive for balance during these difficult times, and trust that the school is here for your support now, and well into the future. Thank you for your continued connections and outreach. Please be sure to check the <u>Great Falls News frequently</u> for important information.

Take care and be well,

Becky Fortier and Stacey Sawyer Great Falls Administrators