

### August 21, 2020

"Our vision is educational excellence in knowledge, skills, and character with strong parent-teacher-student partnerships."

Dear Wolverines,

Happy Friday to each of you! I hope you are all doing well and that you've had a nice week. All of us here at school are so excited to get to see many of you on Monday and Tuesday next week.

## A few reminders for Materials Distribution on Monday and Teusday, 8/24 and 8/25

Hopefully, you have had an opportunity to sign up for a time to pick up materials from your student's homeroom teacher. This will be an important time to get the items that students will need to be successful during our first weeks of remote learning. If you have not signed up yet, please do so using the appropriate link(s) below:

TEACHER	CLASSROOM #	SIGN-UP LINK
Le – K	103	https://signup.com/go/MndDGJr
LiPuma – K	106	https://signup.com/go/DjozFbO
Tibbets – K	110	https://signup.com/go/QcbSvvN
Thiebaut – 1	101	https://signup.com/go/VewpoRq
Doherty – 1	102	https://signup.com/go/PBjixvt

Mielke – 1	100	https://signup.com/go/OegvEeA
Hanlon – 2	205	https://signup.com/go/pFJRcVM
Langford – 2	204	https://signup.com/go/CwjdDgk
Jacquinot – 2	206	https://signup.com/go/yWJTtYJ
Wells – 3	202	https://signup.com/go/cFdZhmA
Schwolert – 3	201	https://signup.com/go/XhvMbTP
Korzyniowski – 3	203	https://signup.com/go/KvjeAxB
Whitcomb – 4	219	https://signup.com/go/MaKMmck
Falk -4	222	https://signup.com/go/RSvOTMJ
Petros – 4	220	https://signup.com/go/BkUrFEb
Holland – 5	217	https://signup.com/go/FnSGxVc
Wick – 5	218	https://signup.com/go/FxGLQxk
Kretschmar – 5	221	https://signup.com/go/gDRXNbu

#### **Annual Contribution Drive**

On Monday and Tuesday, our Office Manager, Heather Fontenot, will be at the front of the building to collect your annual parent contributions. If you would like to print and have payment ready, you are welcome to print the Contribution Form <a href="here">here</a>, or you are also welcome to pay at <a href="https://www.schoolpay.com">www.schoolpay.com</a>.

Your annual contribution is more important now than ever before! As we are working hard to make all our grade level classes aligned, we must purchase additional materials that we would have ordinarily been able to share. All students in each grade level will need a copy of each book, so that teams can stay in sync with each other. We are also in need of web cameras so that our teachers can share their whiteboards and classrooms while also using the camera on their computer. Additionally, we have found that there are many high-quality instructional programs that require subscriptions that will help us ensure your student is making excellent progress this year. We want to provide as much student-specific support as we can, and adaptive programs in reading and math can make a significant difference for student growth. None of these things come without a cost, and your contribution makes obtaining these resources possible. Thank you for your generosity!

# **Important Info from the Health Office**

Jana Frei (Health Tech) will be outside in front of the building Monday and Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>, for parents to:

- Drop off updated immunization records
- Sign an exemption for immunizations
- Pick up medication/health care plan forms for medication needed at school when we return to the building
- Drop off medication forms and health care plans that have been <u>filled out and</u> <u>signed by a Dr.</u>, ready for our return to the building \*\*\*PLEASE DO NOT BRING MEDICATIONS AT THIS TIME\*\*\*\*
- Parents may also request a fax from their student's Dr.'s office. Please fax the record to Traut at 970-488-7504
- Despite the fact that we are starting the year in remote learning, we ARE REQUIRED to collect all immunization and updated medical/health forms.

The Colorado Department of Education (CDE) is requiring all Colorado schools to take attendance each day. Also, we are a compulsory education state, so all students are expected to either attend a public or private school, or be designated as "homeschooled." Our teachers will be taking attendance at 9:30 daily. Teachers will need to mark your child absent if he or she is not online with the teacher by 9:30. However, our attendance clerk (Mrs. Frei) will be able to reverse that parents send an email later in the day to both her and your child's teacher, indicating that you are helping with their studies later in the day or on the weekend.

If your child is able to complete the assignments from their teacher at times that work for your family, there should be no issue.

Please plan to email your student's teacher and Mrs. Frei if you plan to complete schoolwork at a different time of day. Jana Frei: <u>jafrie@psdschools.org</u>

Also, if your child is ill or if they will not be attending school, please call our attendance line at 970-488-7503. Thank you!

# "Help! I need tech support!"

If your student runs into any technical difficulty during their remote learning, please follow these steps to get help:

- 1. Email both Peggy Lundeby (<u>mlundeby@psdschools.org</u>) and Jennifer Morris (<u>morrisj@psdschools.org</u>) and one of them will help you as quickly as possible.
- 2. Email the PSD Covid Tech Help staff at <a href="mailto:covidtechhelp@psdschools.org">covidtechhelp@psdschools.org</a>
- 3. Call the tech hotline at 970-490-3339

### **Traut Online Learning Expectations**

We are starting school with many unknowns. This transition requires flexibility, grace and patience. One of the most important ways you can partner with us is to help ensure that the following expectations are met while students are in a remote learning situation. I thank you, in advance, for helping your student be prepared for learning each day. Please share these expectations with any caregivers who might be supporting your child during online school.

# **Traut Online Learning Expectations**

- Students must wear school-appropriate clothing, that follows our dress code, during all class meetings/lessons (not pajamas or swimsuits.)
- Students need good seating that is well lit and quiet/free from distractions. Consider providing headphones.
- Have all materials ready (teacher will provide details about this).
- Students should not eat during class, other than designated snack times.
- The camera should always be turned on and teachers need to be able to see student's faces, unless otherwise directed.
- Microphones should be muted unless a student is called on to talk or share.
- Siblings and pets do not participate in class lessons. Please do not bring toys and stuffies to class.
- Online teaching time is not to be used for parent/teacher conferences. Please arrange a meeting time to talk with teachers about student specific ideas or concerns.
- If your student has technology trouble, please contact Jennifer Morris (morrisj@psdschools.org) and Peggy Lundeby mlundeby@psdschools.org) or call the Tech Hotline at 970-490-3339. Teachers will not be able to provide in-the-moment tech support while they are teaching.

While PSD is in Phases 1 or 2, remote learning will be our new school. Parents will need to ensure that students are situated with the norms above in place. Teachers will be responsible for providing instruction, organizing lessons and pacing, and arranging small group and one-on-one interactions.

Thank you for your partnership and patience as we make this a year focused on student learning!

### **Spirit Wear - Now Available!**

We are excited to share that we have TCKS Spirit Wear available for purchase from GOJO Sports here in Fort Collins! You can shop for Traut gear at <a href="https://trautfall2020.itemorder.com">https://trautfall2020.itemorder.com</a>. Orders must be placed by Monday, September 7, 2020. You will pick your items up at GOJO Sports. Questions, please contact Brie McFarland at <a href="mailto:sollod@gmail.com">sollod@gmail.com</a>. For additional information, please click <a href="mailto:here">here</a>.

#### **Dine Out with Traut!**

Our first restaurant night is coming up very soon! Order Chipotle on **September 1, from 4-8pm**, and 33% of the proceeds benefit Traut. Show the flier or type in the offer code Q8KAJN4 in the app. Sorry, no third party deliveries are allowed (grubhub, doordash, etc.) For details, please click <a href="here">here</a>.

# **Bring your Morning Fresh Milk Caps to Traut!**

We will have a socially distanced collection area for your caps at the front of the building on Monday and Tuesday next week. Please bring your rinsed caps to school with you, and place them in the bin. Each cap is worth \$.05 for our school. A little goes a long way! For more information, please click <a href="here">here</a>.

Traut has been humming this week! Our teachers are planning and meeting and preparing. Our support staff has been tirelessly getting computers ready to go, making copies, gathering and delivering supplies, and collating booklets. We are ready to see your sweet children and start our most important work: helping students learn and grow.

"If a man does not go about his work with enthusiasm, it means that he has not yet found a work that he likes. Every mortal is a busy bee when he comes to the task that destiny has set aside for him." ~George Ade

It makes me more proud than I can say to see the enthusiasm and joy that our staff has shown this week. Even when they are exhausted, our staff partners are clearly doing work that they like, because their enthusiasm can be found in every corner of this building. As a mom, I feel so lucky to know that my son is attending a school where all of his teachers and paras love what they do. It makes an enormous difference! Staff Partners, I am humbled to work with each of you.

I hope you enjoy a great weekend with family and friends!

Dr. Kendall