

Due to the increasing number of positive COVID cases in our community and within our school we have been asked to transition to a modified schedule. We will close school for the next two days (Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 1st & 2nd) to allow teachers time to plan. We have divided the number of our students in half alphabetically by last name (A-K & L-Z). The schedule will be as follows:

Sept. 3 **A-K** A Day (Thur.)
Sept. 4 **A-K** B Day (Fri.)
Sept. 7 **Labor Day** (no school)
Sept. 8 **L-Z** A Day (Tue.)
Sept. 9 **L-Z** B Day (Wed.)
Sept. 10 **A-K** A Day (Thur.)
Sept. 11 **A-K** B Day (Fri.)
Sept. 14 **L-Z** A Day (Mon.)
Sept. 15 **L-Z** B Day (Tue.)

The on-going schedule will be available online and in our newsletter every Monday. Extra-curricular activities will continue for now with a firmer commitment to monitor face coverings and social distance whenever possible.

We are working in partnership with the ASD Board of Education, Pleasant Grove mayor and city officials, as well as the Utah County Health Department in making these determinations. This schedule will continue for the next two or three weeks at which time we will meet again with all parties to reassess the situation. We will continue throughout the year to monitor numbers to guide our decision-making. We need your help with the following:

1. Please monitor your students before sending them to school. Check for fever, cough, chills, headache, sore throat, loss of sense of smell, and loss of sense of taste. If they have any symptoms, please keep them home.
2. Please talk to your students about wearing masks. Masks should be two layers and fit snugly over the mouth and nose and under the chin. Please help them understand that they need to wear them at all times while on school grounds, not just inside the building. Masks are required for all events, whether indoor or outdoor, and at all Alpine School District facilities. Also, we invite everyone to maintain social distance as much as possible.
3. Please monitor your students as they interact with others. We understand that there are many gatherings in the community where students do not observe social distance and do not wear masks. The spread of the virus is not a school problem, it is a community and county-wide issue. We want to do our part to slow the spread.

This will be a community effort. I appreciate your help and cooperation.

Dr. Stewart
Principal