

FERRON ELEMENTARY

August 2020

Dear Parents,

I am so excited to welcome the students back to school on Tuesday, August 25th! We are excited to try something new this year in hopes to make coming back to school more personal for each family. We will no longer be holding a whole school back-to-school night, but will instead be scheduling individual Back-to-School parent teacher student conferences. Included in your letter from each teacher is a link to schedule your child's conference at a convenient time for you. There have been so many unknowns in the last six months and we feel it important to give each family time to ask questions, express concerns and understand classroom routines including COVID policies and distance learning. Enclosed are materials for you to review and bring to your child's conference. Additional information, including our District's Reopening Plan can be found on our school website at fe.emeryschools.org.

Something else new this year is Early Release Wednesday. Ferron Elementary students will be dismissed from school every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. for the day. Please see the included letter from JR Jones, Elementary Supervisor, for more information.

In each of the teacher's letters we have listed 3-5 school supplies that would be helpful for your child to bring to class. These items are donations and are voluntary. If you are unable to provide these supplies the school will have them available for your child. We appreciate any donations of school supplies. Ferron Elementary will provide disposable masks each day if a child should need one. Students will need to bring a refillable water bottle from home as we are prohibited from using the drinking fountains.

School will begin on Tues., August 25th, at 8:30 a.m. for students grades 1-5. The first day of kindergarten is Monday, August 31st. Breakfast is served from 8 a.m. to 8:25 a.m. If you are applying for free or reduced meals instructions for completing the online application is included with this mailer. Parents are always welcome to access the online form on one of Ferron Elementary's computers. If you have any questions please call Jeneane Warren at 687-9846, or the school office at 384-2383. Lunch money can also be paid at the office during that time.

Included with this packet is important information related to school policies. Please read the information carefully. Please **COMPLETE ALL STUDENT INFORMATION ON THE FRONT OF THE GREEN PAPER.** Also, be sure to **INITIAL AND SIGN THE BACK OF THE AUTHORIZATION FORM** allowing your student to participate in the areas listed. **PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED GREEN FORM (front/back) TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER AT BACK-TO-SCHOOL CONFERENCES.** All school policies are located on the Ferron Elementary website at fe.emeryschools.org or copies are available at the office.

I am very excited for the school year to begin and expect that we will all have a wonderful year!

Respectfully,

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