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Dear Golden Feather families:

Butte County moved from Tier 1 (purple) to a less-restrictive Tier 2 (red) category of the State's COVID-19 Blueprint for a Safer Economy. If the county remains in the red tier through approximately the middle of October, Golden Feather Union Elementary School District will have the opportunity to begin in-person instruction. The earliest date the district can begin in-person instruction is Monday, October 19th.

COVID-19 safety protocols, including the wearing of facial covers, will be in place. Currently, all people indoors on campus 3rd grade and up are required to wear face coverings. Face coverings are strongly encouraged for TK-2nd grade students.

Sanitation	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	Health Screening	Social Distancing
<p>Hand sanitizer dispensers are placed throughout the campus.</p> <p>Disinfecting will be completed daily on high volume touch points throughout the campuses.</p> <p>Cleaning protocols to ensure proper disinfecting.</p> <p>The school will limit the sharing of supplies between students.</p>	<p>Face coverings are required as mandated by the State or local agencies.</p> <p>Food handlers and health care staff will wear personal protective equipment.</p>	<p>Signage will be in place to remind the school community to not enter if they are experiencing any illness symptoms.</p> <p>Families are recommended to take temperatures daily before going to school.</p> <p>Anyone with a fever of 100.4 or higher cannot remain on the school campus.</p> <p>Students and adults should self-monitor for respiratory symptoms such as cough and shortness of breath prior to coming to a school campus daily. Students and adults exhibiting symptoms cannot attend school.</p>	<p>Social distancing signage will be in place.</p> <p>Physical barriers may be installed in high traffic areas where social distancing is not possible.</p> <p>Classroom furniture / equipment will be arranged for social distancing to the greatest extent possible.</p>

GFUESD is closely monitor the Butte County Public Health COVID-19 dashboard. The district has been working hard to prepare for the reopening of school. To reduce the amount of students in classrooms we have hired additional staff and **your child may have a new teacher**.

TK/K - Mrs. Hawkins - Room 7
 1/2 - Coach Diaz - Room 4
 3/4 - Ms. Mitchell - Room 5
 5/6 - Mrs. Rubio - Room 3
 7/8 - Mrs. Gobba - Room 2
 Resource - Mr. Lewis - Room 8

The district has applied for a waiver for TK-6th grades for in-person instruction as a backup if schools are not allowed to return to in-person learning based on the county level. That waiver is still pending at the Butte County Public Health Department.

At this time, transportation will not yet be provided. Parents/Guardians will need to bring students to campus daily. We are taking steps to safely implement a transportation plan but it will not be in place by October 19th.

We plan to follow the county guidelines below should the school encounter any of the following scenarios:

Scenario	Action
1. A student or staff member either exhibit COVID-19 symptoms, answers yes to a health screening question, or has a temperature of 100.4 or above.	Student or Staff: Sent home Contact Healthcare Provider / Public Health for testing Cohort Open
2. A family member or someone in close contact with a student or staff member test positive for COVID-19	Student or Staff: Report information to administrator Contact Healthcare Provider / Public Health for testing, Sent Home, Quarantine Cohort Open
3. A student or staff member tests positive for COVID-19.	Student or Staff: Report information to administrator Contact Healthcare Provider / Public Health for testing, Sent Home, Quarantine Families of Students or Staff: Quarantine and Contact Healthcare Provider / Public Health for testing Cohort CLOSED for 14 days from last exposure
4. A student or staff member tests negative for COVID-19 after any of the reasons in scenarios 1 or 2.	Student or Staff: May return to cohort 3 days after symptoms resolve, however must continue isolation if in contact with C19+ family member Cohort Open

In the event of closure or quarantine, daily distance learning will be provided.

Families can choose from:

Traditional In-Person Instruction: Traditional classroom environment with students attending each day in school with face-to-face instruction with their teachers. Breakfast will be served from 8:00 – 8:30 am allowing for staggered arrival times. Instruction will begin at 8:30 am and end at 2:40 PM. Please note that classes will be recorded and potentially streamed online. Your child may be visible to others in the cohort.

Daily Distance Learning: Online classroom environment with students attending virtually. Students will be **required** to participate and engage in online learning.

Students will be assigned to one teacher who will remain with your child/ren throughout the year no matter the family educational option of choice. Schedules and spaces at the school have been modified to keep students and staff in the same group together, a cohort, to limit interaction between groups.

Families will be asked to fill out a form in the next few days to choose between traditional in-person instruction or daily distance learning.

Regardless of the choice you make, our district's mission remains to provide equity and access to ensure each and every student achieves high levels of learning while developing cultural responsiveness and social responsibility. We will fulfill this mission with a strong partnership with our student families. We also want to stress our highest priority continues to be the safety and well-being of the children who are entrusted to us.

Sincerely,

Mr. Josh Peete
Superintendent