



Elkhorn Elementary School

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Dear Elkhorn Elementary Families,

I would like to welcome all our families to a new school year! The Elkhorn School staff is excited to begin our 2020-2021 school year even though we are starting the year using the Distance Learning Model; which means that students will be staying home to receive their instruction. At Elkhorn we strive to create a safe, caring, and successful learning environment for all children in whatever setting the instruction and learning is taking place. We will be working with different District teams to plan and create opportunities for bringing students, families, and staff together to build our community and relationships. We encourage parents to participate in any way they can. Please feel free to share with us your new ideas and concerns so that we can continue to improve. There are different methods for families and the community to know what is happening at our school and district. You can visit our website at nmcusd.org, download the district app or follow us on Facebook for general information, upcoming events or updates. Below is some important information:

As mentioned above all students will be attending Distance Learning; which means that students will be staying home to receive their instruction. Teachers are reaching out to families to give you details about who they are and how they will be interacting with your student. They will also be sharing a student daily schedule so that families are aware of when students need to be logging into their classes. Breaks and lunch will be embedded in the schedule. Each section may require a separate login and some sessions may have independent work time within them. The daily schedule will have all that information. If you have any questions about daily schedules or logging into meetings please contact your child's teacher directly.

All students will need a device to access their Distance Learning. We have scheduled time for pick up of devices, a hot spot (if needed), as well as a backpack to carry your items. This will happen the week of August 24th. We will send out information about specific dates and times of the distribution of the devices.

We are also working on putting grade level supplies together that your child may need for their lessons. Teachers are also deciding what curriculum they will be sending home to students that will support them during Distance Learning. These supplies and curriculum will be available during the packet pick up starting on Monday, August 24th. Also, as a reminder instructional packets are required to be handed back in when picking up new instructional packets.

Your child's attendance and participation in Distance Learning is mandatory. Attendance will be monitored each day and students are required to attend all scheduled learning sessions throughout the day. If your child can not attend a session or day, please call in their absence to the office.

During Distance Learning, the office will be closed to the public, if you have a need or concern please call or email our office staff to set up an appointment to come in or for a virtual appointment.

Lastly, we welcome you to reachout at any time you need to. You can email me at scuevas@nmcusd.org or call the school office. We are here to support your family in this journey.

We appreciate your continued support and understanding during these times and look forward to making this year the best it can possibly be. If you have any questions please feel free to reach out, we are here to help!

I'm looking forward to working with you and your child and to another wonderful year at Elkhorn School!

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