



Upcoming events:

- First two weeks of Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>
  - [Parent/Teacher Conferences](#)

**McPolin Elementary School Weekly Office Updates**  
**Weds., Jan. 20, 2021**

Dear parents and caregivers,

Continued appreciations for all the work, patience, and collective willingness to make safety our collective priority as we all help as we must to keep our school open. Here is our Superintendent Gildea's latest messaging that I trust we all support:

"If we want schools to open and remain open we must all do our part. It's relatively straightforward if you wear a mask, keep your distance, and wash your hands frequently. These are challenging and unprecedented times, but with collective behaviors we can slow spread and achieve our goals.

"It was not a recommendation we took lightly in moving to a virtual/remote format for 10-days following a spike in cases. Schools are being asked to utilize remote learning not because schools are the main driver of our new infections, but because the levels of community transmission warranted extra measures to keep our students, staff, and their families safe.

Schools alone cannot bear this burden - we must all take personal responsibility to keep this virus from spreading in any way that we can"

Moving on to McPolin updates and reminders, our middle-of-year assessments in Reading, Writing, Math, and Spanish acquisition continue. You will be updated on your students' results during the upcoming Parent/Teacher Conferences. These conferences are particularly important – why? As we share our feedback and information based on our work with your students here at school, we welcome and invite your thoughts and feedback. Together we will create goals and the necessary "action plans" to successfully support your students' success. Underlying this explanation is our unified efforts. The school does our part, the home to do its part, and most of all, students do their part. **T.E.A.M. – T**ogether, **E**.veryone **A**.chieves **M**ore.

Let us close with celebrations:

- We trust we are enjoying the LACK of traffic. Between the HS being remote until next Mon., 1/25, the Sundance Movie Festival going virtual, and added to that the resorts being impacted by COVID, the traffic on Kearns has never been so light and easy. . . . enjoy while we can!!
- Take a look at the new climbing wall in our gym. Thanks to Mr. Brown and PCEF!



- Thanks to Mrs. Borjigin and our 5<sup>th</sup> grade "Green Team" we are not only recycling paper, plastic, and cardboard, we are not composting lunch leftovers as well as the cardboard lunch containers. Yes, we continue to press forward. We continue to find creative solutions to our COVID limitations. We continue to use a positive mindset to make what could be a challenge into an opportunity for learning. What is it we keep saying? . . . We Got This.

Sincerely,  
Bob Edmiston