

Since so many parents and guardians work, informing them of an early dismissal is a problem. For this reason, the district tries to avoid early dismissals. However, when an emergency does arise, the Family Emergency Plan that comes with students' registration packets is the key to where students are sent. It is extremely important that this slip of paper be filled out and returned at the start of the year. Staff members will be calling parents and guardians to advise them of the situation before the buses leave school. Be sure that we know where to send your child.

The following stations will be notified of any delays and/or closures:

RADIO: KBOY, KCMX, KDOV, KMED, KRWQ, KMFR, KTMT, KSOR, KZZE

TELEVISION: KOB1 5, KTVL 10, KDRV 12

Immunization Requirements

The law requires that all Oregon school children be fully immunized, be in the process of completing their immunization schedule, or be exempt for medical or religious reasons in order to attend school. A parent or guardian will be required to complete a certificate verifying this information if the child has not previously been enrolled in the Butte Falls School District. If your child is exempt for medical or religious reasons, he/she may be excluded from attending school during a disease outbreak for his/her own protection. You may contact the Jackson County Health Department for more information about your child's immunization needs.

Asbestos Management

The Butte Falls School District has completed the initial phase of the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) by having all facilities inspected for friable and non friable asbestos-containing materials and having an Asbestos Management Plan developed. Asbestos-containing materials have been identified in this school district.

The District is implementing response actions which include repair and removal of materials which have the highest degree of potential disturbance. The asbestos management program is an ongoing effort and each response action is documented in the management plan. Re-inspection of the asbestos-containing materials is done every 6 months to assure the materials remain in a safe condition.

Management plans are available for review in each building's office. Questions about the Asbestos Management Plan should be directed to Jeff Gorman, Maintenance Director, Butte Falls School District.

Medicines at School

The administering of non-injectable medicines to students is governed by Board Policy JHCD-AR. This policy covers not only prescription and nonprescription medication, but also such items as aspirin, Tylenol, poison oak medications, and any other ointments and sprays. Per board policy, requests for designated staff members (office managers only) to administer medication to students may be approved by the district under certain specific conditions. These conditions and requirements are described in detail in the student handbooks. If you have any questions you should contact the elementary or high school office manager.

Eligibility Guidelines for National School Lunch/Breakfast Program

Application forms can be obtained from any school office manager. A child who is a member of a household that receives benefits from Assistance Programs (SNAP, TANF, FDPIR) is categorically eligible for free benefits. This information will be sent directly to the school electronically. Families with children who qualify for free meals based on this information will receive a notice from the school and will not need to submit any additional paperwork.

Students who qualified last school year will automatically qualify this year for a conditional period of 30 school days. At the end of this time, benefits will be terminated unless the proper papers have been filed with the District Office. **PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO AVOID LOSS OF BENEFITS.**

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school to see if it is eligible for meal benefits. Applications may be submitted at any time during the school year. Student eligibility status is strictly confidential. USDA and the State of Oregon are equal opportunity providers and employers.

School Visitations

If you wish to come to school and visit a class, please contact the classroom teacher in advance. In some instances, testing or special programs may be taking place at the time you wish to visit. After you have your class visitation cleared, come to the school office to sign in with the office manager and receive your visitor's pass. **For the protection of your children, all visitors must check in with the building office manager before they can go to classes. This also applies to visits at lunch or recess.**