

# We Count Warm Springs

The tribes' Complete Count Committee—*We Count Warm Springs*—had many activities planned for the 2020 U.S. Census.

Most of these events centered around group gatherings. Now, with the Covid-19 restrictions, the gatherings are not going to happen at least for a while.

"Most important is our safety, and we must continue to practice social distancing," said Caroline Cruz, general manager of Health and Human Services, and chair of the Warm Springs Complete Count Committee.

Despite these circumstances, "We still count, and we still need to be counted," Ms. Cruz said. "We now need to become creative and move forward, and we need your

help." In the upcoming weeks Health and Human Services staff will be offering a variety of ways to be counted.

They will be working on a step-by-step process with YouTube to walk you through how to do the Census on line at:

[www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov)

If you are not an online user, the branch is looking at a call-in number, so they can assist you over the phone.

"And we may be able to set up computers that are six feet apart for those who do not have internet access, or do not have a computer or smart phone," Ms. Cruz said.

As an incentive, the branch and committee will

be giving out prizes, gift cards, food baskets, small appliances and a variety of fun items.

How can you participate? You need to do your census: "In order to enter the drawing we will be giving out raffle tickets once you complete your census," Cruz said.

Some of you already have done your census, and you are also eligible to enter for prizes. Staff is currently working on logistics; so listen to KWSO 91.9 for further details in the upcoming weeks.

*Thank you everyone who has been practicing Social Distancing: Together We Can...*

**Caroline M. Cruz**

## Distance Learning for All

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"Districts are allowed to consider the community they serve and district capacity as they develop their plan," Superintendent Parshall said.

District staff this week will continue to distribute the supplemental learning material at the pick-up sites until implementation on Monday of Distance Learning for All.

"Our district has engaged with principals, teachers and support staff about our plan," Mr. Parshall said.

"We ask families to please take advantage of the supplemental learning materials available on our website."

(see [jcsd.k12.or.us](http://jcsd.k12.or.us))

"We encourage families to select books for your students, or allow them to select books to read at home during the school closure.

The books are available at all meal service locations, and the Student Services Building (by the high school in Madras) between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday."

In conclusion Parshall says:

"We are very grateful for your patience and understanding during the closure. School staff and family members will need to con-

tinue to collaborate and support one another through this challenge. It is my hope that our strong community becomes even closer by meeting these challenges together. Sincerely."

It is a possibility that the Madras High School graduation may not happen at the traditional time, in early June.

As we move through spring to early summer, the tribes and Education will consider a ceremony to honor the Madras High School graduating Class of 2020, said Valerie Switzler.

— *Dave McMechan*

## Pickup sites

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- Wolfe Point Drive at the first paved road on the left, 10:30 to 10:45 a.m.

- Kah-Nee-Ta hamlets between 11 and 11:15 a.m.

**In Simnasho** meals will be available for pick up at the longhouse parking lot from 11:30 to 11:45 a.m.

**In Seekseequa** meals can be picked up at the firehall parking lot, weekday

mornings from 11:15 to 11:30 a.m.

In Madras at the high school the meals are available near the gym entrance, and at Bridges High School in the parking lot, mornings from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Also in Madras:

- At St Patrick's Catholic Church at S.W. K and Madison, 9:30 to 9:45 a.m.

- At Tops Trailer Park at

S.W. Cleveland and N.W. First Street, 10:15 to 10:30 a.m.

- At Jefferson Street and Highway 97 in the parking lot of 97 Mart, mornings from 10:45 to 11 a.m.

In Metolius at the elementary school bus drop-off area between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.

You can visit the district website to see all meal times, and more information at [jcsd.k12.or.us/emergency-closure-meals-program/](http://jcsd.k12.or.us/emergency-closure-meals-program/)

## Organization

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Eleven of the tests were negative, and two were still pending as of earlier this week.

Community Health director Katy Russell reported on a clinic program to collect and distribute protective facemasks (see article

on this page).

Health and Human Services general manager Caroline Cruz reported on some of the Covid-19 response grants she had received, including from the Ford Foundation, the Oregon Health Authority, Central Oregon Inter-Governmental

Council, and Indian Health Services. Federal funding for tribes and tribal enterprises, included in the Covid-19 relief legislation, has yet to arrive, Mr. Cruz said.

Secretary-Treasurer Michele Stacona reported on the tribal effort to access the relief funds, and some the challenges in accomplishing this.

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