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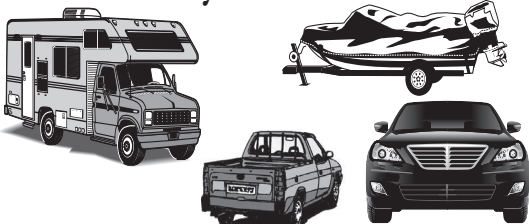


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2021 Cottage Grove Community Grant application is now available and due on November 30, 2020.

Grant awards will be announced February 2021. For information, contact the Cottage Grove Community Foundation office at 541-942-0014 • cgcfgrants@gmail.com Any IRS approved non-profit organization is eligible to apply.



Kiwanis 'Koats for Kids'



DAMIEN SHERWOOD/COTTAGE GROVE SENTINEL

Cottage Grove Walmart Store Manager Jordon Ott (left) presents Kiwanis District Governor Donald Ehrlich (center) and Bohemia Sunrises John Rudolph a \$2,500 donation check on Nov. 5 for this year's Kiwanis Koats for Kids program. The Bohemia Sunrises Kiwanis Club will use the Walmart donation to distribute coats to area children this winter.

Hybrid from A1

a hybrid model. New state guidance has included changes such as limited in-person class sizes.

Previously restricted to 10 or fewer students, the school district may now bring in groups of up to 20 students identified as being in need of assistance during distance learning.

There is also a continued focus on preventative measures. Safety features are to include required face coverings for staff and students inside and outside buildings, possible use of face shields and plexiglass, making space for 35 square feet per student, sanitation between groups of students cycling through classrooms and increased ventilation of rooms and buildings.

Students provided with Chromebooks and hotspots will be able to keep these during the transition as

well. The school district anticipates the earliest transitions to hybrid learning occurring no sooner than Nov. 30 for grades PK-3.

As previously planned, there will continue to be a focus on elementary grades first with the gradual inclusion of secondary grades over several months.

Health authorities have reasoned that younger children are in a lower risk group for COVID-19 and a slow inclusion of higher grades will allow time for careful data collection as districts progress toward in-person models of learning.

Based on this and the staggered starts of trimesters and semesters, grades 4-5 will likely not see a transition sooner than Dec. 14, while middle school grades are aiming for Jan. 5 and high school grades Feb. 8.

All dates, however, are subject to change depend-

ing on county metrics and guidelines handed down by the state.

Under the hybrid model, PK-5 grade students will attend either for three hours in the morning or three hours in the afternoon Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, maintaining a "Wellness Wednesday" in which staff can check in with students.

Grades 6-12 will attend two full days per week under various cohort models depending on the school.

"We're hoping to have cohorts A and B announced by Dec. 11 so parents can do some planning," said Lincoln Middle School Principal Bill Bechen.

"I want to be clear here: We are not planning on bringing all students back every day," said Smith. "We would not be able to meet the safety requirements that the state has laid out for us."

Meals will also continue to be provided five days a week.

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