

September 30, 2020

Dear Toppenish Families,

We hope this letter finds you and your loved ones safe and healthy in these unprecedented times. We are reaching out to update you on the recent direction we received from our local health department. In the upcoming weeks, we will be able to gradually begin bringing small groups of K-5 students back to campus for a portion of the school day. The gradual manner will provide our district with the opportunity to adapt to the health and safety protocols required for students and staff to be on campus.

The health, safety, and well-being of our students, staff, and community members is of the utmost importance to us in Toppenish School District. Numerous measures have been established to ensure a safe learning environment. Some examples include utilizing new cleaning equipment and following sanitization schedules. HVAC units are now set to increase the flow of outside air and are equipped with CDC approved filters. Students will go through a health screening upon entry, will wear masks while on campus, and have hand sanitizer available. Social distancing will be enforced in accordance with a hybrid-learning model in which approximately half of the students will be on-site at any given time.

We have planned several opportunities to share additional information on the safety measures that have been implemented to keep your child(ren) safe as well as additional information on hybrid learning. The dates and times for these events will be virtual and can be accessed at the following links:

**Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>**

- English @ 6 PM: <https://toppenish.webex.com/toppenish/onstage/g.php?MTID=e7af027df04d6c90b7104731eaa19381f>
- Spanish @ 6 PM: <https://toppenish.webex.com/toppenish/onstage/g.php?MTID=e3fe912e5d694bd11e1934afee41d6cb3>

**Thursday, October 8<sup>th</sup>**

- English @ 7 AM: <https://toppenish.webex.com/toppenish/onstage/g.php?MTID=ee966ea7c3f0861b6ad73f83211987864>
- Spanish @ 7 AM: <https://toppenish.webex.com/toppenish/onstage/g.php?MTID=e5e482a5b0dfa0a2c7ff3ec7595faf941>
- English @ 12 PM: <https://toppenish.webex.com/toppenish/onstage/g.php?MTID=e0194eb1f2713876f25877244881f68c5>
- Spanish @ 12 PM: <https://toppenish.webex.com/toppenish/onstage/g.php?MTID=e922d7480a153dc999eac0b38c744eb0c>
- English @ 6 PM: <https://toppenish.webex.com/toppenish/onstage/g.php?MTID=e045aa26d174a122e4fbb194ca9fa81d8>
- Spanish @ 6 PM: <https://toppenish.webex.com/toppenish/onstage/g.php?MTID=ee0e7c0cbf7e3568b0dcbd140d629af95>

**Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup>**

- English @ 10AM: <https://toppenish.webex.com/toppenish/onstage/g.php?MTID=e2bc441cd30464431e1d7a59ec7422543>
- Spanish @ 10AM: <https://toppenish.webex.com/toppenish/onstage/g.php?MTID=e1967c9b38ba9e4befff752f74c45461d>

All sessions will share the same information, so please choose the date and time most convenient for you. We will also make these links available on the TSD website <https://www.toppenish.wednet.edu>.

We are grateful for the opportunity to serve you and your family, especially as we face these challenging times together. Thank you for your understanding, flexibility, and support. You can expect additional updates in the near future. We are all in this together.

Sincerely,

John M. Cerna  
Superintendent