

Dear Brown Families,

I had a lot of you email me with questions after the message I sent last night. I thought it would be best if I sent all of you another email to help you make the best decision when the phone call from the district comes out tomorrow evening.

Please note that the plan for elementary students to come back to in building school is what was decided by our school board, and is waiting to be approved by the state. This is the plan that will be moving forward with if our state continues to be in Covid Phase 2. If the governor puts us back to Covid Phase 1, we would immediately go into distance learning.

There will be 3 choices to choose from for you and your students for the upcoming 20-21 school year:

### **1. Back in the building following Covid19 precautions/rules, etc.**

- The Brown Staff will work together to create classrooms that have desks 6 feet apart, less movement of students throughout the building.
- Masks will be required by 100% of students and staff in the building.
- Limited movement, etc.
- The district provided protocols will be put in place and followed.
  - More information to come when the state approves the plan.

### **2. Distance Learning Through Brown Elementary**

- Our Brown Staff will work together to continue to focus on our essential standards in each grade level.
- This will look very different than what we did in the spring. In the spring the entire district worked together to reteach and not move forward. This kept us all on

the same page, and gave students and staff time to learn how to learn a different way. Now, we'll be able to move forward and learn new concepts daily.

- Students will be expected to be working online with their teachers, mastering content and moving forward with their learning longer than what we did in the spring.
- I am still waiting on guidelines from the district, however, when the protocols are given to me, my entire staff and I will work together to create a distance learning plan that correlates and aligns with what students are doing in the building.
  - What that means is your students will be receiving the same content and learning whether they are doing it online through distance learning/zoom or in the building. **Both ways will be utilizing our Brown teachers for instruction.**

### **3. Pursue other options**

- This option means that you have decided to pull your students from Brown Elementary.
- This means that you are going to enroll your students in an online educational format such as:
  - North Star Online School (is in our district)
  - Home School Programs

The district is asking for your most preferred choice (Thursday evening), so that I can have the data to start planning how many teachers are teaching in the building and how many may be teaching through distance learning.

I hope this helps clarify. If you still have questions and concerns, please feel free to contact me through email, [abryan@washoeschools.net](mailto:abryan@washoeschools.net).

**Kids Zone:**

- I've had multiple emails asking if KidsZone will be opening. I am still waiting from confirmation from the district on whether before and after school programs will be available.

Please know that I will keep you updated as soon as I have new/more information. I want to ensure that everyone, parents, students, teachers, staff all stay safe and healthy. I will continue to follow district protocols and guidelines and keep you informed as much as I can.

Sincerely,

Angie Bryan  
Principal