

APRIL 16, 2021



Our mission is a shared commitment to educate the whole child in a safe and nurturing community.

ATTESTATIONS

Upon returning to full day instruction, we will still require parents to send in the Monday attestation each week. We ask that you complete this attestation **prior to 8:00 a.m.** each Monday (or Tuesday if that is the first school day of the week). Our process for checking attestations takes a bit of time. We thank you for your assistance!

SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Students and all staff will continue to be required to wear masks at all times. Frequent handwashing will be required, as well as distancing protocols.

In the classroom, students will sit at least 3' apart from other students. In the hallway, outside, at lunch and recess, there is a 6' distancing requirement.

RECESS AND LUNCH

Recesses and lunches will be done in grade level cohorts. Following is our lunch and recess schedules:

LUNCH TIMES	
Kinder	10:40 - 11:00
1st	11:10 - 11:30
2nd	11:40 - 12:00
3rd	12:10 - 12:30
4th	12:40 - 1:00
5th	1:10 - 1:30

LUNCH RECESS	
Kinder	11:00 - 11:30
1st	11:30 - 12:00
2nd	12:00 - 12:30
3rd	12:30 - 1:00
4th	1:00 - 1:30
5th	1:30 - 2:00

Recess Schedules	
Kinder	2:00 - 2:15
1st	2:20 - 2:35
2nd	10:00 - 10:15
3rd	2:35 - 2:50
4th	10:35 - 10:50
5th	10:20 - 10:35

FRIDAY Recess		
K	1:30	All
1st	1:15	FI, R, Mc
2nd	10:00	All
3rd	10:30	KH, SH
4th	10:15	G
5th	10:15	HE

During lunch time, there needs to be a 6' distance from others. We have taped off a 6' grid in our gym, where a whole grade level can fit spread out to eat their lunch. Lunch will be eaten in the gym and each student will have a 6' grid with a chair to eat their lunch. We have a set aside area for those students with allergies.

The lunch menu is posted on the district website monthly at this link:

<https://richlandsd.sodexomyway.com/landing/elem>

All meals are free for all students through the end of the year. Daily, students will choose a hot lunch or cold lunch. No condiments will be available, and microwaves will not be in service at this time for those choosing to bring lunch from home. Additionally, breakfasts will be handed out as a "grab and go" at the end of the day for students to take home and have for breakfast the next day. Students will need to notify their teacher if they will be taking a breakfast each day so we can have a good count for our kitchen.

Supervision at lunch and on the playground for recesses will be increased in order to assist our students with the safety protocols. Students may bring a healthy snack, individually wrapped, to eat during their short recess. They will sit outside and eat it, and then enjoy their recess.

We will have an area along our fence line in which kids can take a mask break. We will be teaching our students what that will look like and what the expectation is.

DAILY SCHEDULES

The schedule for our day will return to our regular schedule. It has been so long since we have been on the normal schedule, I want to make sure we all remember:

School Starts at 8:40 (tardy bell at 8:45) School Ends at 3:15 Friday Early Release at 2:15

FACE COVERINGS

The Department of Health (DOH) requires all students in a school building or on a school bus to wear a face covering, either a cloth face mask or plastic face shield with drape. According to DOH, a cloth face covering is fabric that covers the nose and mouth. It can be:

- A sewn mask secured with ties or straps around the head or behind the ears.
- Multiple layers of fabric tied around a person's head.
- Made from a variety of materials, such as fleece, cotton, or linen.
- Factory-made or made from household items.

DOH does not recommend the use of masks with exhalation valves or vents, or single layer bandanas and gaiters. **Also, gaiters do not meet the requirement listed above. Please make sure your student has an approved face mask. We have masks at school that we will give your student should they arrive wearing a gaiter. Thank you!**

	APRIL DATES OF IMPORTANCE
Every Monday (or first day of week)	Fill out Weekly Health Attestation form for each child
April 12 - 25	Scholastic Book Fair - Virtual
April 19	Return to Full Day Instruction – All Kids All Day!
April 23	Middle School Registration Presentations - Zoom
April 26	White Bluffs Principal Interview Parent/Community Forum 5:45
	MAY DATES OF IMPORTANCE
May 3 – 7	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 28	No School (Snow Make-Up Day)
May 31	No School – Memorial Day

DROP OFF AND PICK UP

Now that we are moving to all students coming all day, we need to be very aware that our pick up and drop off procedures are of the utmost importance. Having only half of our students on campus at any one time meant many less cars, and it was very manageable. Things will change on Monday with this. Thank you for reading through our procedures (below) and understanding why we ask each and every person to abide by them. Safety is our first priority!

It has come to our attention that families are using the pathway between cars in the staff parking lot as a short cut to get into line before school. This parking lot is very congested and busy with staff and busses arriving/leaving at various times. Drivers in this lot are not expecting pedestrians to be in this area once they enter the lot. In an effort to keep everyone safe, we are respectfully asking that families use the sidewalk along the playground as their route up to the building. We know this takes extra time, but it is worth it for the safety of our families and students.

Traffic Safety Information!

The safety of our students and patrons of White Bluffs Elementary in our parking lot is of great importance. Approximately 425 of our 750 student population are dropped off and picked up each day making our parking lot a safety concern.

This plan has been designed to offer multiple drop-off zones and traffic patterns that help to move traffic through a confined area with the least amount of pedestrian conflict. Please take the time to learn how you can help with the safety of our children.

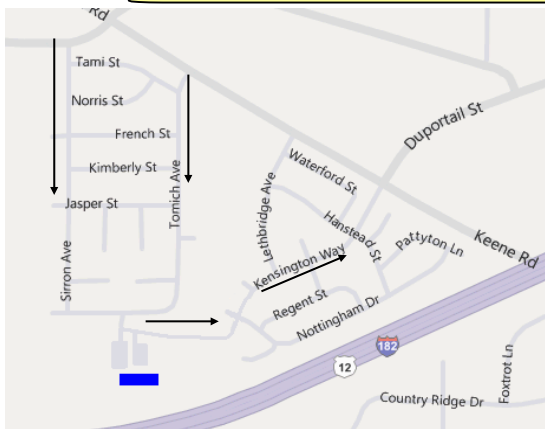
White Bluffs Elementary



Preparing your child for Drop-off.

1. Talk the process through with your child before you arrive.
2. Have backpack/materials with child so that you don't have to hunt for items.
3. Plan your "good-byes" before drop-off and greetings after pick-up.

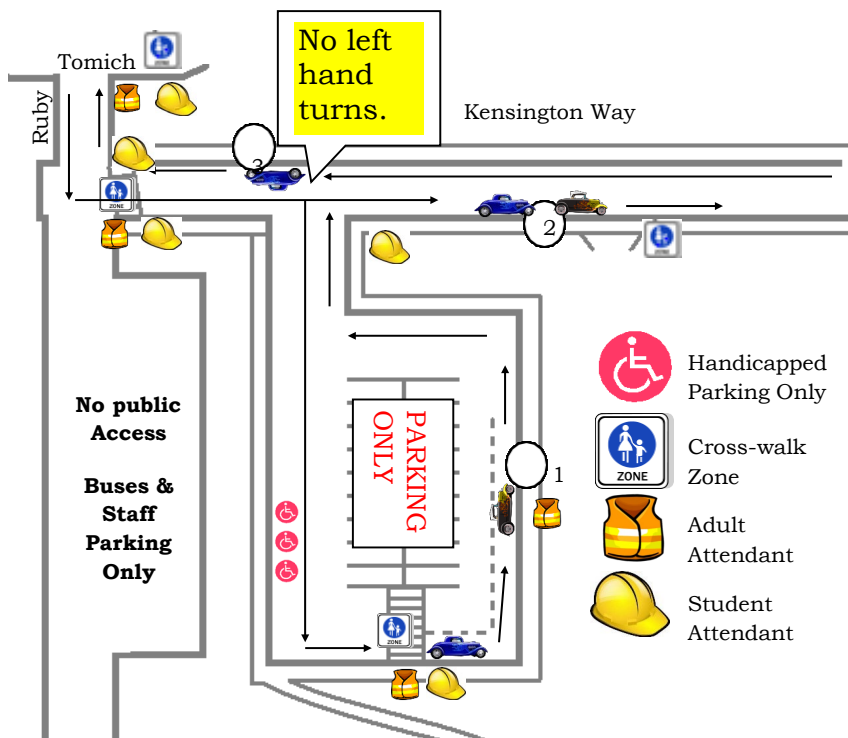
Overall Traffic Flow



To prevent the bottle-neck affect of traf-
fic converging at White Bluffs, we are
asking that you approach the school
from Tomich or Sirron Ave to Ruby,
and leave the area on Kensington Way.

If you approach White Bluffs Elementary West-bound on Kensington at 8:25 – 8:40 a.m. or 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., you will not be able to turn into the parking lot. You will only be able to drop off or pick up on the right side of the street and exit the area through Tomich Ave.

Drop-off Zones



Drop-off Zones are where you may approach, pause to let your child out of the vehicle and then leave.

Drop-off Zone #1—will be the primary drop-off area. Vehicles choosing to drop off will enter the parking lot from Tomich Ave or Sirron Ave only. Circle around the south end of the parking lot and pull forward as directed by an adult attendant. Once your child(ren) safely exit the vehicle, continue around the north end of the parking lot and exit to the right on Kensington Way only.

Zone #2—Must be approached from Tomich or Kensington Way. Allow student to exit vehicle safely onto the curb and proceed on Kensington Way. This zone is also for overflow parking and special events.

Zone #3—Must be approached from Kensington Way. Allow student to exit vehicle safely onto the curb and proceed onto Tomich avenue or continue on Kensington Way. Zone #3 is intended for minimal use. Students are to walk to the cross-walk and follow crossing guard's directions to enter campus.

Parking & Special Events

Public parking is in the main parking lot and along Kensington Way. During Special Events requiring more parking, drop-off zones will be closed.

School Day Checklist

Here are some reminders to help your child be successful at school:



Weekly Health Attestation

Don't forget to fill out the weekly health attestation every Monday morning before sending your child to school (Tuesday if no-school day on Monday). You may use the QR code here, or any link you receive in an email or ClassTag message. Please help us with this process by ensuring the weekly attestation process is completed in a timely manner so your child can maximize their classroom learning time with their teacher.

<https://forms.gle/dsonzYDRw2Tyg7KJA>



Mask

Ensure your child has a clean and properly fitting mask. Once on campus, masks will be required to be worn at all times.



Water Bottle

It is recommended that your child bring a water bottle to/from school each day as our shared drinking fountains are temporarily closed. Please label the water bottle with your child's first and last name.

Important Contact Information

General Information/Auto Attendant with Options

509.967.6575

Attendance

Attendance Office Email: wbe.attendance@rsd.edu

Chromebook Assistance

Phone: 509.967.6162 Email: chromebookhelp@rsd.edu

Transportation/Bus

509.967.6155

News and Information

District Website: <https://www.rsd.edu>

White Bluffs Website: <https://www.whitebluffs.rsd.edu>

White Bluffs PTO Facebook: *White Bluffs Elementary Parent Teacher Organization*