

BIG BEAVER FALLS AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents, Families and Community members,

As we complete the 2019-2020 school year, I hope this message finds you and your family healthy and safe during these most difficult times. I know the challenges have been demanding for all of us, and education as we have known it for all our lives, has now changed. One of the obstacles for many of our students was the availability of technology.

I wanted to share with you some very good news regarding how the district has overcome this barrier. Through several grants, donations from community organizations including the Beaver County Community Development Program, Beaver County Housing Authority and our Education Foundation, we are able to provide EVERY student with a new Chromebook for the upcoming school year. This gives the Big Beaver Falls Area School District the distinction of being a "One to One" school district.

What this means is that no student in our district will be without the tools necessary to access their instruction, whether it is within our school buildings or online. This provides our students a tremendous resource literally at their fingertips.

We are extremely pleased to make this announcement to you regarding this important educational resource. I still must make it clear that a student's success is more likely if they are focused and committed, led by and receiving quality instruction from a dedicated teaching staff, while being supported and encouraged from their family. The Chromebooks will be a wonderful addition for our students but it is that same, proven formula that will guarantee the best possible outcomes for them.

In the meantime, until we determine how and when every student will receive their laptops. please know that the administration and school board continue to monitor the Covid-19 pandemic and all those government requirements that we are anticipating. We truly hope that we will be reunited with our students as the 2020-2021 school year commences but we will be ready for whatever is decided by our state and local authorities and we will forever be TigerStrong!

My sincere best wishes for you to remain healthy, safe and secure.

Sincerely,

Donna M. Nugent

In the Big Beaver Falls Area School District, we are committed to an exemplary educational program which is built on trust, caring, diversity, and opportunity AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER