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Board report for October 26, 2020

### 1. Attendance Engagement with Parents and Students

The district staff have been working with students and parents facing challenges with attendance online and with other difficulties the families may be experiencing. Phone calls and emails have been sent to communicate with families on how the school can assist children who have missed a high number of instructional hours. The return from the parents and students has been beneficial for them and the teachers. We help the students adjust to the online program by offering as much assistance from our staff as possible. Teachers and administrators are reaching out daily to the students and talking with parents and guardians. So far, we have seen much improvement with some of the kids to increase awareness of attendance moving forward as we complete the first quarter of school.

### 2. Staff Providing Home Visits to families

In addition to all the assistance, the district is providing our families. We have provided home visits to families who we encourage to assist, or if the parents/guardians request us to assist them. The staff will continue to work with families and provide additional help if they believe it's necessary to do so. It has been very rewarding for everyone involved. Social distancing and other safety measures are in place during the home visits.

### 3. Bayfield County Order for Sports

Bayfield County's order for canceling all sports competition events or travel for schools will be in effect until December 2. The teams cannot travel to other schools or allow schools to come to Bayfield to play in any contest or meet. It does allow our Bayfield sports teams to practice within the school (gym) before December 2, 2020. The first practices are scheduled for November 16 and beyond.

The school mitigation team will discuss sports in general as we move forward and bring forth recommendations for the School Board. We are in the discussion phase and review the best safety solutions, as sports are considered for the winter months.

The area conference schools are similar and are approaching the winter months very cautiously. I have attached the regular winter schedule of teams, start dates, and coaches that would typically be in place starting next month. However, we recognize the significance that we are under with COVID-19 and will plan accordingly to the school board's decision on full-virtual or Level 2 in-person learning.

The following table illustrates the upcoming sports teams that normally be starting in November:

*The sports teams and Club sport start dates:*

Teams	Start Dates	Coaches
MS Boys Basketball	March 1st - March 30th	George Newago & Tara Albert
MS Girls Basketball	March 15th - April 15th	Chris Boyd & Liza Armogost
HS Volleyball	March - completion of fall	Kaela Huber & Tara Albert
ES/MS Wrestling	February - March	TBD
HS Girls Basketball	November 16th - February	Joe Corbine & Lori Duffy
HS Boys Basketball	November 23rd - February	Chris Boyd & Wayne Basina
HS Wrestling W/Washburn	November 23rd - February	Steve Miller & Joe Defoe
HS Cheerleading	November 16th - February	TBD
HS Ski Club W/Washburn	December - February	Kathy Radke

Note: the information provided in the table is subject to change based on changes that may have taken place.

## Bayfield High School & Middle School Winter Sports Timeline of Activities November 16th - March 30

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The following winter sports information is contingent on COVID-19 district protocols and decision making. The list above is the sports programs the district would have for the upcoming season.

It's essential to establish operational protocols that were started this past summer and continue with up-to-date information for our student-athletes' safety.

The Bayfield County 60-day order is now in effect until December 2, 2020. The order doesn't allow schools to travel and play games or events with other county schools. (South Shore, Drummond, and Washburn) However, we can have practices virtually or in-person with our athletes and coaches. Either one would require protocols for safety and training for our teams.

Today, our last fall sports teams practiced virtually except cross country, an individualized outdoor sport.

The Mitigation team will begin the process now of determining how we proceed forward into the Winter Sports season.