March 28, 2020

Dear families, staff and community:

The Sedro-Woolley School District is partnering with the Boys & Girls Club of Skagit County to provide childcare to the children of parents on the governor’s essential personnel list. Childcare will be limited to students currently enrolled in the district in kindergarten through sixth grade. If you or someone you know falls into one of these categories, please fill out this online survey to apply for a spot.

Childcare services will begin Wednesday, April 1 at Mary Purcell Elementary School. The drop-off location will be on 7th Street, between Nelson and Talcott, at the north-end portable gate entrance. Normal hours of operations will be 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Childcare will be available during the district’s scheduled Spring Break, April 6–10, as well.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided daily. Class sizes will consist of no more than eight students with one staff person. Between the peak hours of 9:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., a second staff member will be present to assist in activities and further ensure all health precautions are taken.

The program will follow the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and public health guidelines, including frequent hand washing, preventing direct contact between all individuals, and implementing robust health screening and monitoring protocols.

Staff and children will go through a full screening process each day (while in vehicles as to ensure proper distance and avoid the potential of families standing in a group), and parents are required to be present at drop-off and pick-up to answer health-screening questions. All staff and children will be temperature checked using an infrared thermometer. Anyone with a temperature of 100 degrees or greater will not be allowed to attend.

If a child or staff has taken fever reducing medication or experienced a temperature of greater than 100 degrees in the previous 72 hours, they will not be able to attend. If a child or staff has experienced COVID-19 associated symptoms in the previous 24 hours, had household members with symptoms in the previous 72 hours, or have themselves or had other members of their household experienced COVID-19 exposure within the previous 14 days, they will not be able to attend.

All program spaces will be disinfected daily by Sedro-Woolley School District professional staff.

If a student or staff member becomes ill with COVID-19 during their time in the program, families and staff will be properly notified as quickly as possible.
Students will be assigned individual, self-contained spaces within a classroom that includes individual supply tubs for all activities that will be assigned to them for the duration of the program.

Once enrolled in the childcare program, children will be assigned one group for the duration of their attendance. Siblings will be in the same group, regardless of age. Where possible, further classification will occur to place children together with those whose families have the same employer.

Parents will be required to view an online video for orientation prior to attendance, and will be asked to acknowledge on the first day of attendance that they have done so. All food will be provided. If a child has dietary restrictions and requires a home-prepared lunch, no components can require refrigeration or heating, and must be sent in disposable packaging.

Please contact the Boys & Girls Club of Skagit County at 360-419-3723, extension 5, with any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Phil Brockman
Superintendent