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Dear Providence Christian School NW families,

I wanted to provide you with an update regarding Covid measures at Providence Christian School NW (PCSNW). On Tuesday afternoons, Whatcom County administrators and the Whatcom County Health Department officials meet to review the particular circumstances of COVID-19 cases in our student populations. This meeting was initiated by the Health Department as a result of the continued high COVID-19 rates among individuals residing within our county geographical borders. At this time, I am confident that PCSNW will remain fully open and operating due to sacrifices requested of our families, students, and staff to follow recommended health & safety protocols. I need your continued support.

Please support the health protocols as outlined in our “Plan for On-Site Classes”:

- Use of face coverings – please continue to send your child(ren) with masks EVERY day – regularly clean cloth masks when they come home.
- Keep sick students at home – sending sick students to school only continues to increase chances of potential spread in the community
- Keep students home if they have household members who are COVID-19 positive – close contacts need to quarantine, call the office to discuss an appropriate timeline to return

I understand that the PCSNW community holds views and opinions regarding how and which safety requirements should be prioritized. At this time I continue to ask for prayer and grace as we all work hard to keep PCSNW open for our students.

I’m sure you agree with me that it is critical to keep school open and operational. The potential of any type of closure is detrimental to student academic and emotional wellness, and often creates a hardship for all families. I am asking the community to “stay the course”: eat healthy, get good sleep, keep sanitary measures, and remember that it’s not just about your child(ren) – but it’s our wonderful community that is affected when we don’t abide by the guidelines and have the health department or L&I investigating us.

As our theme this year hopefully encourages all in these frustrating times:



I know that we need to continue to focus on our goal of educating our students, growing their relationship with Christ, and helping prepare them for God’s calling after they graduate from PCSNW.

Blessings,

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