



## Knappa School District No. 4

William Fritz Superintendent

November 16, 2021

Dear Knappa Community:

Thank you for your understanding last week while we figured out how to get our buses around the flooded roads in our community. Our transportation team worked hard to create a "Plan B" to get around the blocked roads so they could get students to school. We also want to put out a big thank you to our staff for helping cover the "gaps" that day when we were a bit short-staffed. Many school districts in Oregon elected to shut down on November 12 due to being short-staffed, but the Knappa team stepped up and found a way to serve our students that day by working as a team.

**COVID Update.** At this point, we have no student COVID cases nor any quarantines. We have no positive staff cases, and one person still out on quarantine due to an out of school exposure. In our county, the case count has dropped this week to 167.3 per hundred thousand. The school district respects parents' decision making on whether to pursue vaccines, and we remind you that the Clatsop County Health Department website is a place to go to get further information about vaccine clinic places and times.

**Next Week.** Next week is Thanksgiving. School will only be in session on Monday and Tuesday, allowing families and employees an extra day to travel prior to the holiday. In times like these we realize we do have much to be thankful for. We live in a vibrant community where people look out for each other. We are surrounded by beautiful scenery, good fishing, and good hunting. We are also back to a time when most people are experiencing good health. The Knappa School District wishes each of you a joyful Thanksgiving with friends and family.

**Jobs.** We still have some jobs available in Knappa Schools. We need substitute teachers and support staff. We also need a bus mechanic and program assistants to help in our classrooms. If you are interested, please give us a call at 503-458-5993 x301.

Please continue to be safe.

Sincerely,

Bill Fritz, Ph.D.
Superintendent
Knappa school District #4