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Oregon Trail Families,

Governor Brown announced in December that the health metrics for returning to in-person instruction would be changed from mandatory to advisory. We have been working with Clackamas County Public Health and the state to understand how this impacts Oregon Trail School District. We have also been told to expect another revision to the metrics on or about January 19, at which time we will have another update for you.

In the meantime, we will begin implementing Limited In-Person Instruction (LIPI) for Seniors at risk for not graduating and for some of our most vulnerable students. In addition, we will continue to evaluate directives from the state in an attempt to begin opening schools in a Hybrid Model by mid-February. The feedback we have received from parents, staff, and our community is invaluable to our decision making.

Recently, families were asked for their feedback regarding the state metrics and protocols for reopening schools. 2330 surveys were completed, with 80% of parents stating they would send their students back to in-person learning if given the chance.

This has proven to be one of the most trying times in the young lives of our students. A tremendous amount of thanks and gratitude is extended to our students, their parents, and our staff for helping each child navigate the tumult and continue finding the hope that this will soon pass.

Sincerely,

Aaron Bayer, Superintendent