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Dear Parents/Guardians:

I would like to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation for your efforts in supporting our students and district through the COVID-19 pandemic. I want to commend you for your extended efforts in assisting the students with their education, all while maneuvering through the challenges associated with the pandemic.

The Plentywood School Phased Reopening Plan is the result of months in planning. It is the combined effort of administration, teachers, staff, and community members. This collaborative effort is a representation of their time, passion, ideas, and ongoing commitment to our students, staff, and community. The details in the plan represents our best efforts as we work to overcome the known challenges of reopening our school.

Plentywood Schools is focused on ensuring that students and staff can return to live instruction in a safe and high-quality environment. Students will attend school five days a week with a modified block schedule. This schedule will allow for proper daily sanitization and limit large gatherings throughout the school building. Transitions will be staggered to avoid congestion in common areas (hallways, lunchroom, etc.).

Face coverings will be required for 6-12th grade students and teachers/staff when any shared area of six feet cannot be maintained. Lockers will not be assigned at this point. We have a plan in place when the weather changes for coats/items. Students in P.E. classes and extra-curricular activities will be assigned a gym locker to store athletic wear/items.

Families with members at a higher health risk that are choosing the off-site instruction option will need to file an application with the District (Policy 1908, 1908F). Off-site instruction will be synchronous and broadcast in real-time (live) to students requesting this option.

We will continue to work diligently to ensure that our schools can open safely and have as many familiar routines as possible. Thank you for your patience and cooperation as we move forward with our reopening plan. Please know we may have to adjust our plan as the year unfolds. We will adapt and improve based on the circumstances.

We look forward to seeing all of our students and staff/teachers in a few weeks! If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (406) 765-1803 or at simonsonam@plentywood.k12.mt.us

Sincerely,

Amanda L. Simonson

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