



Powell Butte Community Charter School

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Dear Powell Butte Community Members,

Powell Butte Community Charter School received notification on Monday, October 26th that *Friends of Powell Butte School* would be discontinuing meal services for students on Thursday, October 29th, and ending their partnership with PBCCS.

The students of PBCCS have relied on the support of *Friends of Powell Butte School* for over 10 years. The board, staff and students share immense gratitude for the tremendous services *Friends of Powell Butte School* has provided throughout the years and are sad to see the relationship end.

Friends of Powell Butte School operates as a separate entity. The organization is a registered 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Therefore, *Friends of Powell Butte School* has used their discretion over their donated funds and goods to remove most of the equipment in the PBCCS kitchen, including the stove, oven, freezers and refrigerators.

The PBCCS Board has been actively engaged with staff to find solutions to serve our students with healthy lunches at school. Through the support and partnership of Crook County School District, PBCCS students will see no disruption in food service. CCSD will provide meals starting Monday, November 2nd. The CCSD nutrition staff will prepare meals in the central kitchen and then deliver them to PBCCS on regular school days. Meals will be free for students under a national extension of the Summer Meals Program. PBCCS is looking forward to this new partnership with CCSD and the nutrition services team. PBCCS is making plans to reequip the school kitchen to begin making meals on site again as soon as possible.

The PBCCS Board will be working hard in the coming weeks to determine next steps, with the goal of providing healthy meals to PBCCS students. Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions or concerns, email info@powellbuttecharterschool.org.

Most sincerely,

The PBCCS Board

Jessica Ritter, Chair

Robbie Piehl, Vice Chair