



Powell Butte Community Charter School

January 19, 2022

Keeping kids healthy @ school!

Please help us keep students healthy during this busy season of colds, flu, RSV and COVID:

- If your student is sick, please *do not* send them to school. Keep students home until they are *symptom free*.
- Contact your doctor if you have cold, flu, RSV or COVID like symptoms.
- Please contact PBCCS if your student has had a COVID exposure or positive test. Call or text 541-548-1166.
- Keep washing your hands!

OHA/ODE Quarantine & Contact Tracing Update

- The Oregon Health Authority and Oregon Department of Education have changed contact tracing requirements. Students and staff who are properly masked will no longer be considered an exposure regardless of physical distance.
- Contact tracing and quarantines will be focused on students and staff that are unmasked and have a direct exposure, such as during meal times.
- The new recommendations are based on the current K-12 school mitigation efforts and that transmissions occur during indoor unmasked contact.

A reminder . . . PBCCS is implementing OHA's Test-to-Stay program, to help minimize unnecessary quarantines. This allows students or staff exposed to a positive case at school to remain in school if they receive a negative test. Only trained school staff can administer the test and a follow up test is required 5-7 days after the initial exposure. *Students will only get tested if permission is granted by a parent or guardian, and is an option for families if they choose.* [Click here](#) to access the consent form.



Exercise-a-thon 2022!

PBCCS' annual fundraiser is coming up soon! February 14! Keep an eye out for an email and packet coming home this week.

Volunteering @ PBCCS

PBCCS extends a warm welcome to parents/guardians and others who volunteer at school. PBCCS works hard to assure that our students and staff are safe and that learning is not disrupted. We have systems in place to assure that individuals in the building are supporting student learning and school operations.

Click the link to complete the **Volunteer Information and Interest Form**
<https://forms.gle/bwGyTJK5ddLa1CPw9>.

After completing and submitting this form, Mrs. Foley will contact you regarding completing the background check, required trainings and vaccination paperwork.

IMPORTANT: Due to COVID-19 protocols campus will only be open to essential volunteers. All volunteers spending time with students must provide proof of vaccination or complete a medical or religious exception form. All volunteers and visitors must wear a mask or face covering. Anyone experiencing symptoms of infectious illness, such as flu or COVID-19, should stay home and seek testing and care, regardless of vaccination status. Additional information about volunteering can be found on the school website.

Intent to Return 2022-23

Planning for the 2022-23 school year has begun! While so much in the world is uncertain, PBCCS plans to be here for you and your child in the 2022-23 school year and beyond!

If your child is planning on returning to PBCCS next year, please submit this [2022-23 INTENT TO RETURN FORM](#) by **Friday, February 11**.

We encourage all current families to complete the Intent to Return form, so that you do not lose your enrollment spot at PBCCS. If your plans change in the future, you can notify the office at your convenience.

Upcoming:

- January 17 No School, MLK Day
- January 20 PBCCS Board Meeting @ 6 PM via Zoom
- January 27 End of Semester 1
- January 28 No School, Staff Professional Development Day
- January 31 No School, Grading Day