

December 17th, 2020

Cedar Mountain Families,

It was so wonderful to have our students return to the building this week following our distance learning time period. We plan to make the remaining days prior to winter break very positive and productive while providing a safe environment for students and staff. Listed below are a few updates for the week. Please reach out if you have any questions.

Updates/Reminders

- **Friday Early Out:** Friday, December 18th is a 12:10 pm early dismissal for students. The January early dismissal dates are January 8, 15, 21 and 29. Please plan accordingly.
- **Winter Break:** There is no school December 23 - January 3rd. Students and staff will return to school on January 4th.
- **County COVID-19 Data:** One of the metrics that we used as a district in our decision making plan is the county rolling 14 day case rate per 10,000. In recent days, we have seen a significant decline in our numbers and this is positive. Know that wearing a mask and avoiding close contacts play a vital role in continuing this trend. Please do not send your student to school if they are experiencing any symptoms or have been a close contact to COVID.
- **Athletics:** MSHSL athletics will be allowed to start practices on January 4th. Additional information will be shared from Mr. Robinson with athletes and their families.
- **College Scholarships Information:** Each year, there are many college scholarships available for Cedar Mountain seniors. Seniors interested in applying can find the applications at <https://www.cms.mntm.org/Page/1365>. Contact Mr. Palokangas with any questions you may have.

Thank You!

- Congratulations to Cedar Mountain Business Manager Brian Pederson who will be retiring at the end of the month. Brian has been working for the district for 7+ years and also served 12 years on the school board. Thank you Brian!
- Thank you to Angie Jemmings for her 12 years on the school board! Many great things were accomplished during Angie's three terms on the board and we appreciate all that she did for the students and staff at Cedar Mountain. Thank you Angie!

Thank you for your continued support of Cedar Mountain Schools. We hope you have an enjoyable winter break.

Go Cougars

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Superintendent
Cedar Mountain Schools