Bellevue City Council – Covid-19 Update *May 4, 2020*



BELLEVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN 2018–2023

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OUR VISION, MISSION, AND SHARED VALUES PROVIDE DIRECTION FOR OUR WORK OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS

BELLEVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN 2018-2023

VISION

MISSION

OUR SHARED VALUES

To affirm and inspire each and every student to learn and thrive as creators of their future world.

To serve each and every student academically, socially, and emotionally, through a rigorous and relevant education that is innovative and individualized. As a learning community that values one another's humanity, we provide courageous support for an equitable and exceptional education for all students.

- Service
- Integrity
- Excellence
- Compassion
- Respect
- Collaboration



Covid-19 Update: This is Not the New Normal...What will it be?



Cheryl Strayed • 4h

Best line from my son's school principal, who sent an email yesterday about how the first day of school via Zoom went, "It is important for you to get out of bed when joining classes. It will help you focus and retain information and is, in general, just good manners:)"

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Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction Guidance



School District **Priorities during Long-term Closure**:

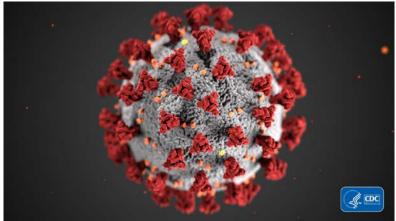
- 1) Ensure the provision of school **meals** including breakfast and lunch to students who need them
- 2) Develop plans to be a childcare provider of last resort
- 3) Provide **graduating seniors** the content they need to meet their graduation requirements and support their post-secondary transition
- 4) Offer learning opportunities for students and continued professional learning for staff
- 5) Continue payroll for all employees as you develop meaningful work and professional development plans

Priorities when we closed on March 12:

- Ensure equity and access
 - Nutrition
 - Technology
 - Childcare
 - Support for all students especially our students experiencing poverty, Special Education, and Multi-language learners
- Graduate Seniors
- Support student well-being and social, emotional, and mental health
- Provide meaningful learning for all students K-12 that prepare them for the next level, with a focus on ELA and math proficiency K-8









Equity and Access for Each and Every Student: Nutrition

- Any student can receive a lunch and breakfast for the next morning
- Six locations for "Grab and Go" Lunch and Breakfast Pick up
- 33 locations for pre-order delivery
- Highest number of meals served last week

BSD	week 1	week 2	week 3	week 4	week 5 Spring Break	week 6	week 7	Total
Nutrition Services	3/16-3/20	3/23-3/27	3/30-4/3	4/6-4/10	4/13-4/17	4/20-4/24	4/27-5/1	YTD
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Breakfast	2,146	3,267	4,805	5,115	4,886	5,760	7,007	32,986
Lunch	2 402	2 520	F 07F	F F03	F 171	6 1 4 0	7.646	25 555
	2,482	3,539	5,075	5,502	5,171	6,140	7,646	35,555
Total								
Meals	4,628	6,806	9,880	10,617	10,057	11,900	14,653	68,541



Equity and Access for Each and Every Student: Child Care

- Child care for first responders, health care workers, essential workers, and students experiencing homelessness
- Prepared to serve up to 200 students at 4 locations
- Currently running one location serve approximately 100 students at Stevenson Elementary Schools
- Boys and Girls Club has been an essential partner for us during this time





Equity and Access for Each and Every Student: Technology

BELLEVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT Covid-19 Response

- Distributed 2,975 Laptops and 435 "hot spots"
- Provide on site technology support at district office following "physical distance" guidelines
- Hotline support in multiple languages to support families
- "The walls of our physical buildings, do not define us. It is you, us, our team - working together - that have made a HUGE difference."



 Need: City of Bellevue support for WIFI access



Equity and Access for Each and Every Student: Transportation

- We have 26 bus drivers/bus attendants delivering meals to 36 different locations (Elementary School Load Zones and large apartment complexes.
- We have 6 bus drivers driving students to and from Stevenson & Lake Hills for Child Care.
- We have 2 drivers assisting IT Help Desk delivering laptops to students around the district.





Equity and Access for Each and Every Student: Supporting our Seniors

- After two weeks of implementation (March 30 April 20)
- Initiated 493 attempts and/or actual contacts with Seniors receiving a grade of D or F in a select core year-long classes
- Reduced number of D or F grades in select core year-long classes from 459 on 3/30 to 363 on 4/20
- Decreased number of D or F grades in English year-long core classes by 91 (from 248 to 157)
- Decreased number of D or F grades in Social Studies year-long core classes by 5 (from 158 to 152) (was 169 after first full week of implementation)
- Increased number of D or F grades in year-long course classes in Math by 10 (from 53 to 63)



Equity and Access for Each and Every Student:

Supporting our Seniors

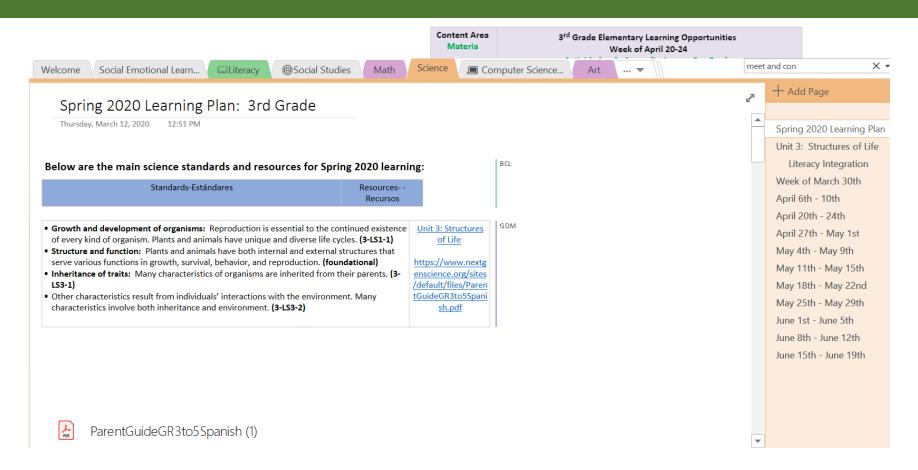




- Distributing Senior signs at each high school to display in yards or on doors/windows
- Updating Senior FAQ on our district's website, which includes resources to support students academically and social emotionally
- Utilizing counselors, Mental Health Assessment Team (MHAT), and support staff to connect with Seniors
- Working closely with Senior Class and ASB Officers, Senior Class Advisors and Building Administrators to support and honor Seniors and to solicit engagement of Seniors in decision making of graduation, key social events, and celebrations
- Co-designing and facilitating administration of Senior surveys to solicit insights and guide actions and decision making

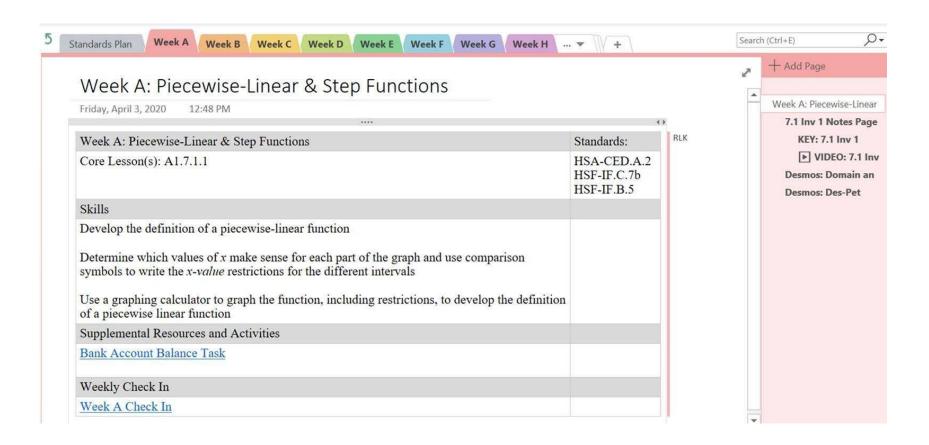


Academic Success: Elementary Learning Plans





Secondary Learning Plans





Equity and Access for Each and Every Student: Well-Being

Progress monitoring and informing adjustments using 'practical measures' approximately every 3 weeks with a survey

- What parents are saying about student well-being
- What staff are saying about student well-being
- What students are saying about student well-being

Preview of what students are saying about their well-being:

- Our students are reporting being impacted socially and emotionally due to not being in school with their teachers and each other.
- A significant number/percentage of our students are reporting feeling sad/lonely (1260) or overwhelmed/frustrated (1779).
- Although remote learning is helping many students feel connected to their teachers, many of our students are not feeling connected to classmates.



How did learning at home go this week?

Grade Band	Ave Rating
3-5	3.8
6-8	3.4
9-11 (High School)	3.3
12 th Grade (Seniors)	3.1

Measured on a scale of 0-5 stars



What was hard about learning at home this week (patterns)?

Grades 3-5

Nothing (36.%)
Technology difficulties (22%)

Didn't feel like learning from home
(19%)

Grades 9-11

Didn't understand what teachers wanted me to do (36%)

Didn't feel like learning at home (35%)

Busy with other things (28%)

Grades 6-8

Didn't understand what teachers wanted me to do (32%)

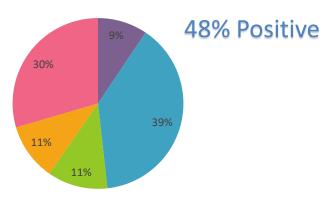
Nothing (28%)

Busy with other things (25%)

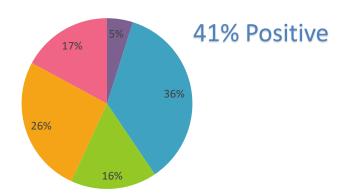
Grade 12 (Seniors)

Didn't feel like learning at home (40%)
Didn't understand what teachers
wanted me to do (38%)
Busy with other things (33%)

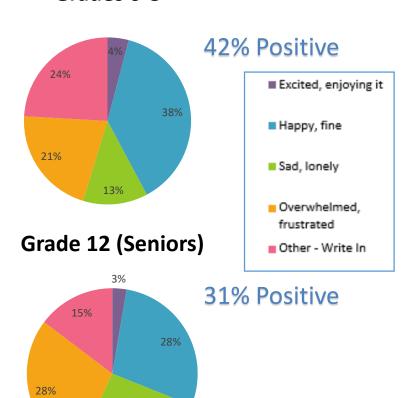
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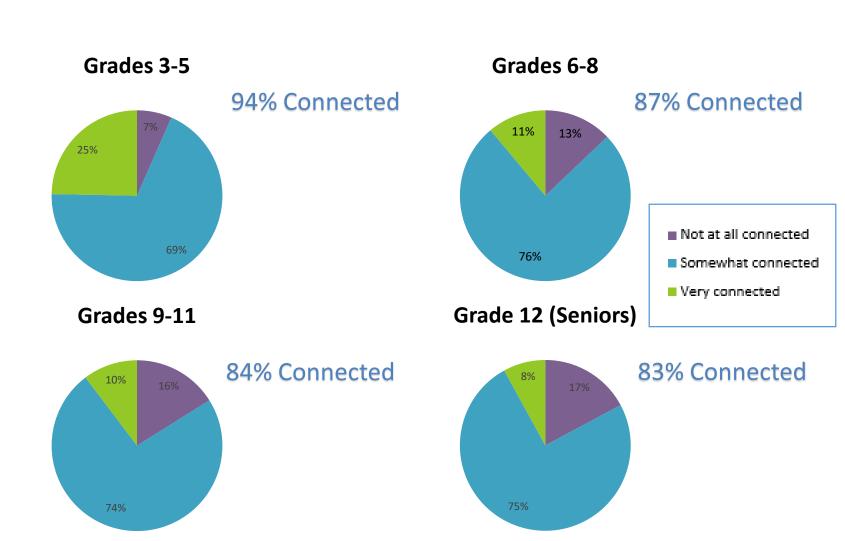


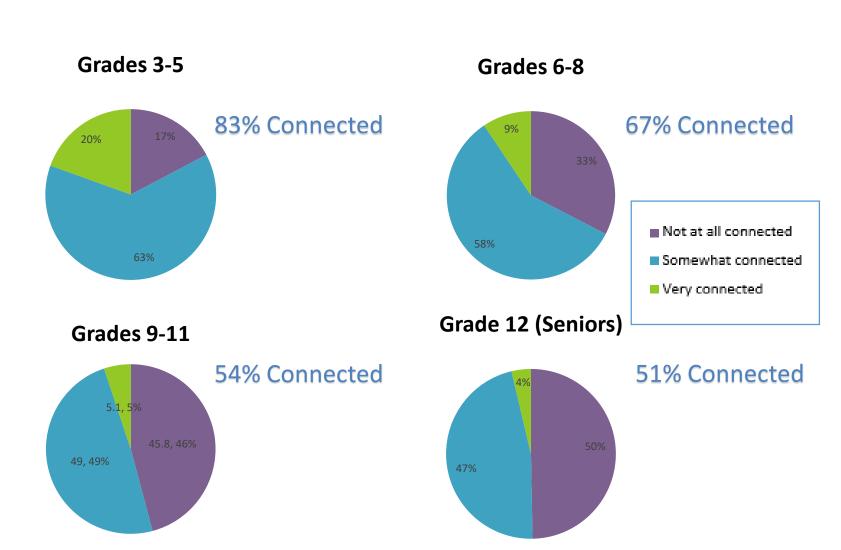
Grades 9-11



Grades 6-8









Student Survey - Preliminary Findings

- **Elementary students** are rating their at-home learning experience on average higher than middle or high school.
- There are common trends around challenges across middle and high school, including: being busy, lack of motivation (didn't feel like it) or not understanding the teachers' instructions. Elementary challenges included challenges with technology.
- Less than half of students at every grade band report **feeling positive** about learning at home (happy, fine, excited, enjoying it).
- A significant number of students reported **feeling sad/lonely** (1260 total students) especially among seniors (26% of those who responded).
- A significant number of students reported **feeling overwhelmed/frustrated** (1779 total students) especially among seniors (28% of those who responded).
- The majority of students report feeling at least somewhat connected to their teachers (>80% in each subgroup).
- Students in every subgroup report feeling less connected to their classmates than their teachers especially at the middle and high school levels.



Student Survey - Reflections

- Our students are certainly being impacted socially and emotionally due to not being in school with their teachers and each other.
- A significant number/percentage of our students are reporting feeling sad/lonely or overwhelmed/frustrated.
- Although remote learning is helping many students feel connected to their teachers, many of our students are not feeling connected to classmates.



Preliminary Adjustments

- We must keep social/emotional health and student well being as a key focus area during remote learning. This may include identifying district-wide strategies as well as learning from innovations happening in classrooms and schools across the district.
- We must address the high number of students feeling sad/lonely or overwhelmed/frustrated, particularly for students in middle and high school. This includes better understanding who these kids are and what their particular challenges are.
- We will use a different survey tool to allow us to disaggregate data by subgroup.
- Building on our strength of connection with teachers, we need to shift focus to helping students feel connected to each other.

"They'll also be the leaders who go to extremes to protect those among us who are vulnerable and support those among us who are risking their lives so everyone else can get back to theirs."



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