

North Cow Creek School

New Year Update

We hope all our families had a nice summer break. We also realize that many have been affected by the current CARR Fire. As a school, we were impacted by ash on campus. While the Shasta County Health Department has determined the ash to be non-toxic on sites away from the actual burn areas, we did have a company come in and clean the entire campus, including the blue mulch in the play areas. Air filters have been changed and will be changed regularly until the smoke and ash clear.

School will begin as normally scheduled for students on Wednesday, August 15.

As we are anticipating continued poor air quality, the following precautions will be taken:

AIR QUALITY RANGE (airnow.gov)	PRECAUTIONS
Less than 101	No precautions/normal activity on campus
101-150	<p><u>For students with asthma or high sensitivity to air quality:</u> A room will be available during recesses and lunch for students to remain. Activities will be available for the students in this room. During PE, students will be permitted to sit in shaded areas or, if highly sensitive, will remain indoors.</p> <p><u>Other Students:</u> Normal activity allowed on playground.</p> <p>PE will be held as normal except as indicated above</p>
151 – 200	<p><u>For students with asthma or high sensitivity to air quality:</u> A room will be available during recesses and. Activities will be available for the students in this room.</p> <p><u>Other Students:</u> Reduced activity on the playground (minimal running, students encouraged to take sit-down breaks and drink increased amounts of water).</p> <p>PE will only be held indoors</p>
201+	<p><u>All Students:</u> All recesses will be indoors.</p> <p>No PE activities (indoors or outdoors)</p>

Following are key dates for the beginning of the school year:

Monday, August 13

6:00 pm: **Back to School Night for Kindergarten parents** in the multipurpose room. We will have supervision on the playground for students to minimize distractions during the presentations to parents.

6:45 pm: **New Family/Kindergarten Ice Cream Social** in the multipurpose room. All our new families and kindergartener families are welcome to attend and enjoy some socializing together.

Wednesday, August 15

School begins for all students at 8:20 am. There will be a continental breakfast setup for parents in the multipurpose room to enjoy after dropping of their student beginning at 8:00 am. School is out for students in grades K-3 at 2:30 pm and at 3:00 for students in grades 4-8.

Friday, August 17 is a minimum day with all students dismissed at 12:00 noon.

Thursday, August 30:

- 5:30 pm: **Education Foundation Parent Meeting:** Come out and meet the EdFoundation Board and here about the events being planned for this school year.
- 6:00 pm: **Back to School Night (Grades 1 – 8):** Teachers in grades 1-8 will hold two information sessions for parents to give an overview on their classroom policies. The first session will be held from 6:00 – 6:30 and the second session will be held from 6:40 – 7:10. If possible, we ask that students remain at home.

Don't forget to check out the school's webpage for any updates. You can also download our mobile app for IOS and Android users. During the first week of school, parents will receive a student/parent handbook and additional paperwork. Be looking for our first full newsletter which will be out on Friday, August 31.