



# BLENMAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Blenman Eagles,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! Thank you for choosing Blenman Elementary for your child's education! We commit to ensuring a positive, safe, and kind learning environment where your child can explore his/her learning interests through advanced learning opportunities in our GATE cluster classes and art exploration in our OMA Gold Arts program. Blenman staff and teachers will follow CDC and Pima County Health guidelines to ensure the campus is sanitized properly when students are allowed back into the school.

As of now, Blenman students will start online school on August 10<sup>th</sup>. If you still have a device from last year, you can continue to use it. If you returned a device or are new to our school, we will be setting up a distribution day for laptop pickup. Traditional on-campus school will start August 17<sup>th</sup>, per Gov. Ducey and may be subject to change. On-campus school will look very different this year as we ensure every safety protocol is followed from Pima County Health Dept.

In order to maintain social distancing, there will be restriction on arrival and dismissal times for students, staggered schedules throughout the day, and scheduled handwashing. Students in Kinder through 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be required to wear a mask except when eating and drinking. Preschool students will not have to wear a mask. All staff and teachers will be wearing masks. Parents and visitors must make an appointment in order to access the building and must wear a mask upon entering. All parents and visitors will be required to wait off campus.

I will be holding two online forums in the upcoming weeks for parents to ask me any questions that you have. Understandably, answers are still coming in and information is likely to change as we have new updates about COVID cases in Arizona.

I look forward to another great year as we build our community and develop our students' individual strengths. We will have a Zoom community get-together Meet and Greet for our back to school event this year. I will be sending out dates and times for parent forums and our Meet and Greet very soon.

Please make sure to register your child for next school year using your ParentVue account. You can select an online or traditional school setting once you have registered.

Sincerely,

Kelly Mack, Principal