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Groff Elementary School Closure Extended Due to Electrical Issue

Moses Lake, WA. – The Moses Lake School District (MLSD) has made the decision to extend the closure of Groff Elementary School due to ongoing electrical issues. The school, initially closed for the week of March 3-7, will remain closed for the remainder of the school year while necessary repairs are completed. District officials are prioritizing student and staff safety as they work through this situation.

“Our top priority is the safety and well-being of our students and staff.” said Ryan Shannon, MLSD director of public relations. “We understand that this extended closure is frustrating and disruptive for our families. We appreciate the patience and cooperation of our community as we develop a plan that best supports everyone affected.”

The district is actively working on a comprehensive plan to ensure that all students continue to receive quality instruction and support during the extended closure. District staff is finalizing details with careful consideration for transportation, staffing, and overall student well-being. Groff classes and grade levels will be kept together. District leaders recognize the importance of transparency and will share the full details once the plan is complete to ensure families have accurate, up-to-date information. The district is coordinating transportation logistics, classroom placements and support services to ensure a smooth transition. **Additional details will be shared with affected families in the coming days.**

Superintendent Carol Lewis reaffirmed the district’s commitment to maintaining educational continuity during the closure. “We know that stability is key to a child’s success in school,” said Lewis. “Our team is working closely with administrators and educators to ensure students continue to receive high-quality instruction in a safe and supportive environment. We are committed to making this transition as seamless as possible for both students and staff.”

District officials are working closely with agencies to expedite repairs at Groff Elementary. Safety inspections and necessary electrical work are ongoing, and updates will be provided to families as more information becomes available.

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The Moses Lake School District serves a diverse and dynamic community, providing comprehensive educational opportunities to over 8,300 students across multiple campuses. Committed to fostering a collaborative and innovative learning environment, the district emphasizes academic excellence, career and technical education, and inclusive practices that support all students in achieving their full potential.