



Tonasket



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The 2020 Tonasket High School baseball team includes (front, from left) Samuel Spangler, Ryan Hamlin, Chase Barroca, Everett Peterson, Chance Watson, Logan Brock, Benjamin Good and Austin Cox; (second) coach Stephen Williams, Gabe Sander, Tiler Morris, Lane Bolich, Granger Sutton, Timothy Williams, Myles Timm, Edward Moore, Joe Thornton, Parker Haug, Carter Barroca, Jimmy Dellinger, Dillon Robinson and assistant coach Shane Spangler.

Tonasket district office remains open

TONASKET — The Tonasket School District office is open during the state-mandated school closure, but individual school offices closed March 19.

The district began delivering meals March 19 to all school bus stops in the district. Every student is entitled to a meal “and we encourage all students to participate,” said a district announcement.

Buses will run all the normal routes. Buses will leave the school at 8:25 a.m., with stop times running seven hours earlier than the afternoon stop times; if an afternoon stop time is 3:40 p.m., the new morning stop time will be 8:40 a.m.

The exception is the Janis bus route, where the bus will run one hour later than the morning bus stop times.

An aide will be on each bus to deliver meals to students and/or parents.

“We do not want students or parents crossing the road or entering the bus; please let the aide make the delivery,” said the district.

Students who don’t ride a bus can meet the bus at any of the stops. Meals also will be available for pickup in front of the high school from 7:30-10:00 a.m. Those picking up meals should honk their vehicle’s horn.

“Please be patient with us through this process,” said the district. “Bus stop times may vary, so we suggest that you are at the stop at least five minutes early while also keeping in mind that the bus could arrive late.”



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The 2020 Tonasket High School tennis team includes (front, from left) Carmen Merida, Rubi Capote, Maria Garcia, Mica Gleason, Skylar Hardesty, Jazmine Salazar, Lukes Godwin, Waylon Thomas, Josh Bello and Malia Whitmore; (second) Coach Brad Ives, Elijah Holz, Alex Owsley, Ben Johnson, Axzel Morland, Cody Clark, Carson Sasse, Kason Tibbs, Owen Pershing, Connor Hardesty and coach Mark Milner.

Meals will be delivered Monday through Friday until further notice, including during spring break.

More information is available from Jack Denison, jdenison@tonasket.wednet.edu or 509-486-2665; email is preferred.

The district is surveying families of first responders and medical/health employees to see if they would like free child care during the closure. Child care began yesterday, March 24, and will continue through the closure except for spring break and weekends.

WIAA plans championships, provided classes resume

RENTON — If schools reopen after April 24, the Washington Interscholastic Activities Association plans to have state championship events as scheduled.

But, the organization warned in a message to schools, further delays could put championships in jeopardy. None would be held after May 30 to avoid conflicts with graduation.

A blanket waiver to WIAA practice restrictions will allow for student athletes to achieve 10 practices within five days. As an example, administrators could hold a school-wide conditioning practice before classes and sport-specific practices in the afternoon as a way to reach 10 practices efficiently and safely.

“No matter the outcome of the following weeks,

there will be no reduction to the minimum number of practices required to compete,” said WIAA.

It also recommends schools and leagues organize a continuation of the regular

season for schools that do not advance to state championships. Such games could be played through the end of state championships on May 30.

“While nothing will be able

to replace the time taken away from these students, especially seniors, providing more avenues to create life-long memories with their teammates should be the ultimate goal,” said WIAA.



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