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Together We Are Inspiring Life-Long Learners

Superintendent's Corner

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Another beautiful day in Index as the leaves begin to fall and the mountains await a fresh blanket of snow.

We are still working with our students in a remote fashion. We are anticipating the time when we can have all our students back into the classrooms in a safe, healthy manner. It is difficult to interact and support children from a distance. That being said, we are preparing our school to effectively and safely begin in-person learning once the county authorizes us to do so. We have the advantage in our small class sizes. This will make it easier to accommodate social distancing and provide excellent learning.

Our school board meets each month and will decide our best plan moving forward- one that will keep our students, our staff and the greater community safe. Our school board meets on the third Tuesday of each month @ 4:00PM.

We are anxious to have the school be utilized for in-person teaching/learning with the celebration of a **new-improved playground** as well as upgraded systems within our building (entries, siding, glazing, roofing and storage areas). These improvements were secured by a competitive grant-writing process through the state. We hope our greater Index community can also enjoy the new playground. **Sky Valley Food Bank** will also continue to utilize our gym as a place to support the distribution of food to our community. Make sure you enjoy a hike during this beautiful fall, observing the amazing colors and scenes of this valley!

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