



BIG OAK FLAT-GROVELAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**TENAYA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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**Mrs. Hilton**

**Superintendent - Principal**

July 29, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

Welcome back to the 20-21 school year, I hope you all had a safe and happy summer! I would like to thank all of you for your patience, flexibility and support as we navigate through the ever changing landscape of COVID-19. Throughout the summer, I have participated in the Tuolumne County Reopening Task Force with the public health officer and superintendents from the county. You may have seen the Town Hall Meeting last month, where we discussed the Hybrid-Model in our reopening plan. Unfortunately, at this time all schools in the county will be on distance learning.

School will begin on August 19th as planned. Distance learning will look much different than the spring. It will require live interaction daily between the student and a credentialed teacher. Daily attendance will be taken and student participation will factor into their grades. Our teachers will be providing high quality rigorous distance learning.

The staff has worked together to make sure students, families and the community will thrive. They have attended professional development, taking courses to continue their education to meet the new instructional guidelines and norms needed for distance learning. In addition, they have completed safety training, and collaborated together to make sure they are ready to meet the needs of our students.

The safe return of students and staff to in-person instruction remains the highest priority. We will continue to monitor and assess the COVID-19 situation with the county health officer. We know this current situation will pass and we are looking to the future.

**Mandatory Back to School Registration Dates-**

Two dates have been scheduled for our “drive-through” registration, Monday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-5:00 p.m. & Tuesday, August 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:00-10:00 a.m. If you are unable to make one of these dates, call the Tenaya Office at 962-7846 and make an appointment with Michele after August 7th. **Please enter through the bus gate and drive up to the gym where you will drop off registration papers and pick up technology if needed. You will then proceed down to the lower parking lot where you will pick up books and supplies.** We have organized these registration dates to ensure that all paperwork is completed and students have the books and supplies they need to begin distance learning on Wednesday 8/19. To streamline the registration

process, parents may download a new or returning student registration packet on our website at [www.bofg.org](http://www.bofg.org) . Additionally, registration packets will be available on a table outside the Tenaya Office, August 7<sup>th</sup> – August 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. In order to adhere to state and county guidelines for COVID-19 please remain in your vehicle when you drop off your student's registration packet and pick-up their supplies. A face covering is required to enter any building on campus.

### **Required Instructional Minutes (Modified Day)**

**Kindergarten – 180 minutes**

**Grades 1-3 -230 minutes**

**Grades 4-12 240 minutes**

### **Important Reminders**

- Students will be required to log on to their device everyday at 8:30 a.m. Grade specific schedules will be distributed with materials during registration.
- Our school office is open daily from 8:00am to 3:00pm.
- Teachers will be on campus daily with office hours to assist students.
- On Fridays from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., students will drop off completed work and pick up new work/supplies.
- “Grab and Go” meals will be available for weekly pick-up on Fridays from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., similar to what we did in the spring. However, the district has to revert to regular meal pricing- free, reduced or paid. It will be necessary to order meals in advance, please contact me at [whilton@bofg.org](mailto:whilton@bofg.org).

On August 1st, Tenaya Parent Club will hold a “Stuff the Bus” campaign. I am confident we will collect enough donations to provide your student with all the supplies they need to start school. We are thankful for our generous community!

The teachers and support staff have worked tirelessly this summer preparing for the upcoming school year. I am proud to be a part of a staff that is truly dedicated and committed to the education of the students and families we serve. Go Warriors!

Sincerely,

Wynette Hilton -Principal, Tenaya Elementary School