



# Preston Public Schools

## Intention to Participate in Distance Learning

In the event that you choose to have your child(ren) temporarily participate in distance learning due to COVID-19, please fill out this form electronically by August 21, 2020.

For clarification purposes, and to avoid confusion between “distance learning” and “homeschooling,” we have provided a brief definition of each.

**Distance Learning** – In a temporary situation, students participate in their education remotely, and it is delivered by Preston certified teachers utilizing an established curriculum. Students are expected to attend remote classes daily and complete required work and assessments just as if they were attending in person. They will be graded and must participate in our full academic program. Students can return to the classroom upon communication with the school, but must return permanently. They cannot distance learn some days and come to school in-person on other days. Since they are not part of an in-school cohort, distance learners cannot participate in extra- or co-curricular activities.

**Homeschooling** –Parents/Guardians accept full responsibility for the education of their children in accordance with the requirements of state law. Parents purchase or build the curriculum and serve as the teacher. Homeschool students are withdrawn from Preston Public Schools. A Notice of Intent - Instruction of Student at Home is filled out and presented to Preston Public Schools annually.

My child will temporarily participate in distance learning for the 2020-2021 school year. I understand I need to communicate with the school to make arrangements for my child’s re-entry into in-person learning prior to returning to school.

Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
School & Grade : \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return form to:  
Ray Bernier: bernier@prestonschools.org for **Preston Veteran’s Memorial School**  
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