

Big Sur Unified School District

Instructional Continuity Plan

In the event of an emergency such as a fire, flood, earthquake, mud or rock slides where the road is closed, or epidemic that closes school, the Big Sur Unified School District will work to ensure that within two days of school closure, there is two-way communication with students and families to support student academic, social, emotional and mental health.

The Big Sur Unified School District will work to have in-person instruction returned as soon as possible. If there is a gap in instruction within ten instructional days, the Big Sur Unified School District will follow our ICP with students beginning online asynchronous and synchronous instruction. Students will receive instruction in alignment with California state standards and which aligns with our district social emotional curriculum.

We also have a Board Policy that in an emergency situation, we will have in person school at another site only 5 miles from our school when possible.

We have a text link set up with all staff and families connected. We use email as well with all families. We also have an emergency satellite phone to call if our phones and internet aren't working.

In our District, each student is assigned a lap top with programs where they can access their daily curriculum. All state curriculum in math, English, science, and history have online components that the District uses. All teachers are trained in teaching online and in using programs such as Zoom, Meet, and Google Classroom. Although we have our technology in place, we also prepare packets in advance for emergency situations.

The district will also enact a pupil engagement process that will include a daily check-in form for all students. The form will be sent via email or text to students and families who will fill out how they are doing in accessing instruction and mental health support. Based on answers to the forms, MCOE Mental Health Therapists and Counselors will meet with families who indicate they'd like support.

Our District also has a Community Center and works with Red Cross. We have cots, blankets, and ample food for not only our students, but also for the community.