SUMMER GUIDANCE STATEMENT FROM CHRIS REYKDAL

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Dear Superintendents:

A couple of quick updates. First, the summer programming guidance from the Department of Health was posted earlier today.

Second, the fall reopening guidance was updated late this afternoon with a new section on employee safety on school worksites. The guidance requires all districts to adopt a written procedure for employee safety and student interaction that complies with the requirements laid out on pages 24–26.

If you missed the media availability I held this morning to discuss the fall reopening guidance, it is available on the TVW website as well as the OSPI Facebook page.

I want to review a few key pieces from DOH’s summer guidance:

- Your summer activities may resume following the end of your regular school year, even for the districts that end prior to June 19. You can resume summer activities immediately following your last day of school, and it does not matter what phase of the Governor’s Safe Start Plan your county is in. This summer guidance applies to all districts and is specific to K–12 educational facilities.
- You MUST follow DOH guidelines related to social distancing, hygiene, personal protective equipment (PPE) requirements, and other health regulations.
- If community-based organizations use your facilities, they MUST follow DOH guidelines (DOH released guidance for summer day camps, youth development programs, and child care on May 27).
- You are not required by OSPI to engage in any of the activities that were priorities during the closure.
- If you create summer opportunities, they are subject to your existing financial circumstances. There are no additional appropriations for districts for summer activities; just your regular apportionment and any one-time ESSER funds that may be approved by the Office of Financial Management.

As always, please don’t hesitate to reach out with questions.

Chris