

Browning Board Report 4/7/20

The month of March has been a new experience filled with new mind shifts, mind sets, and learning styles of students, parents, staff and administrators.

Browning Middle School staff and administration has been working hard to distribute iPads, Verizon Jetpacks, work packets and has worked diligently to get all families signed up with 3 Rivers internet access (if serviceable). Currently BMS has distributed 251 of 255 iPads, 15 Jetpacks to students who live in outlying areas that are not serviceable by 3 Rivers, and has assisted in entering family's information to 3 Rivers, due to not having Facebook access. We are hoping to be 100% online with all students by April 10, 2020. During our last distribution on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, there were 10-8<sup>th</sup> grade students and 12-7<sup>th</sup> grade students awaiting 3 Rivers to

BMS teachers have been calling, emailing and hosting face to face meetings through Google Meet/Hangout Apps with their students. The new learning style and environment has required a new mind shift from the traditional learning/teaching approach to an online/virtual approach. BMS teachers and students are already accustomed to completing assignments online in a traditional classroom learning environment. By working 100% online and virtually, all the staff and administration had to think very critically about the new parameters and expectations of online learning. The teachers have started teaching lessons online with virtual lessons that are live and also recorded to share with students who did not attend live. All classes are set up in Google Classroom and parents are also able to stay in contact with teachers through Class Dojo. Through this new learning process the BMS staff remains flexible, adaptable and positive. As new experiences and feedback is collected, BMS will continue to focus on what is best for the students of Browning Middle School.

Browning Middle School has also seen some new changes to the physical environment as construction has begun on the existing gym, new hallways, new office area and new classrooms. It is very exciting and reminds us that change is good.