

**REMOTE SCHOOLS POLICY – PINE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

The Board of Trustees recognizes the need to provide a well-balanced educational program to students living in remote areas of the school district.

**The primary purpose of the Pine Elementary School building is to provide the means of achieving the educational objective of the school district.**

**The board has full and final responsibility for employment of personnel, contracting for services, approval of plans, payment for work performed on contractual agreements, and final acceptance or rejection of work done.**

In order to facilitate the orderly operation of the remote schools, specifically the Pine Elementary School, the following guidelines will be followed:

1. Application will be made **by** ~~in~~ May of each year to the State Board of Education for approval to hold school in Pine if there is any indication that eligible students will be living in those attendance zones the following school year.
2. Given approval to open the school, **three (3)** ~~eight (8)~~ students must register on or before the date published for elementary student registration throughout the District.
3. The school(s) will remain open until fewer than **two (2)** ~~five (5)~~ students remain enrolled. Should the enrollment of the school drops to below **two (2)** ~~five (5)~~ students, the school will be closed for the remainder of the school year.
  - **Any action to close Pine Elementary will be made by based upon formal recommendation of its staff at legal board meetings.**

30 4. In the event that a remote school is not opened due to having fewer than **two (2) eight (8)**  
31 students, or is closed during the school year, the options will be discussed with the  
32 parents/guardians of the remaining students.

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34 5. In the event that students of sufficient number to open a school (see item #2) move into a  
35 remote area after the start of school, the Board of Trustees will hear all information  
36 regarding the situation and make a decision to open the school, or cause it to remain closed.

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38 6. In the event that a teacher is under contract to teach in a remote school and the prerequisite  
39 number of students is not met, that teacher will be given the opportunity to transfer to  
40 another position within the school district. Assistance in moving will be provided by the  
41 District.



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45 **LEGAL REFERENCE:**

46 Idaho Code Sections 33-506 – Organization & Government of Board of Trustees  
47 33-511 – Maintenance of Schools

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