

# Olga Hugelmeyer Superintendent of Schools

May 22, 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope that this message finds you well. It is hard to believe that we are just a few weeks away from the "last day of school" and starting to look ahead to the 2020-2021 school year. While much remains uncertain about the weeks and months ahead, I would like to provide a status update on a few key topics.

### **Memorial Day Observance**

Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, May 25th, as a federal holiday. We honor and mourn the military personnel who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. School will be "closed" on this day.

#### **E-Remote Learning**

As there will be no school on May 25th, E-Remote Learning will resume on Tuesday, May 26th.

#### Grab and Go Program

We will not be operating our Grab and Go Program on Memorial Day. For the week of May 25th, food distribution will only take place on Wednesday, May 27th.

## School Calendar for 2019-2020

The last day of student attendance for grades K-11 remains Monday, June 15th, with opportunities for revision/make-up work scheduled for the last week of school. These final days will also be used for logistical procedures, such as the collection of instructional materials. More information on that process is included later in this communication.

Please see the following charts for key end-of-year dates at the PK-8 and 9-12 grade levels:

Date	PK- 8 Important Dates
Thursday, June 4	Last Day of New Assignments for Grades PK-8
Friday, June 5 through Monday, June 15	Make-up Week (Missed work can be submitted through June 15)
Monday, June 15	Last Day to Submit Work
Monday, June 15	Last Day of Student Attendance Fourth Marking Period Ends for PK-8

Date	9-12 Important Dates
Thursday, June 4	Last Day of New Assignment for Grades 9-12
Monday, June 8- Thursday, June 11	Make-up Week for Graduating Seniors (Missed work can be submitted through June 11)
Friday, June 5 through Friday, June 12	Make-up Week for Grades 9-11 (Missed work can be submitted through June 12)
Friday, June 12	Last Day to Submit Work for Grades 9-11
Monday, June 15	Last Day of Student Attendance Fourth Marking Period Ends for 9-12

### Personal Items Collection and Materials Return

We are aware that many students left personal items in their lockers or desks before our extended closure. We understand that they would like to collect these items as soon as possible. We are working with our Plant & Property Division and building principals to develop a plan to arrange a safe retrieval process from June 16 – August 15. It can be expected that this collection process will involve a phased pick-up schedule that could potentially take place over a period of days while adhering to CDC guidelines. Please note that we also anticipate using this pick-up time as a means for students to return instructional items they have been using from home, such as textbooks or materials. Your child's principal will share this logistical information and next steps once our plan is completed.

#### The 2020-2021 School Year

Just as the stay-at-home order and other restrictions remain uncertain in the near term, we are equally unable to provide a definitive answer on how schools will operate at the start of the 2020-2021 school year. Our administration hopes that we will be able to have in-person teaching and learning, but we are planning for multiple scenarios as a precaution, such as hybrid models. Rest assured that no matter the course of action, we are working closely with local officials and health experts in all decision-making and preparations. If it is safe to open schools, we will, but we anticipate that precautionary measures will need to be taken in our operations to ensure the continued health of our students and staff.

Be safe and stay well.

Sincerely,

Olga Hugelmeyer