High School South Weekly Update

School Updates

- Assistance: If your child needs assistance, please email us at: <u>hss@ww-p.org</u>
- **Absences:** If your child is ill, please note it in Genesis as usual. Please take care of yourself and your family.
- **Student Check-In:** High school students are reminded to check in with their teachers during office hours, by emailing them with updates/progress on their assignments at times other than office hours, and finally by submitting assignments. Please do not let more than two office hour sessions pass without checking-in with your teacher through one of these methods.
- **WW-P High School May/June Calendar**: The Day 1/Day 2 virtual/remote learning calendar may be viewed/downloaded <u>here</u>.
- Local Senior Scholarships: HSN and HSS seniors are invited to participate in the district's local scholarship program. This program awards monetary scholarships to graduating seniors to help assist them in furthering their post-secondary education. Click <u>here</u> to view HSN and HSS's scholarship booklets. Please check the individual scholarship information for specific deadlines.
- **National Honor Society:** Due to the district's transition to virtual/remote learning, we are postponing the National Honor Society selection process. We will provide an update at the end of this month.
- Athletics: High School fall sports registration will now open May 18, 2020, and has been extended through July 6. Click <u>here</u> for more information and check out the latest edition of the <u>WW-P Athletics newsletter</u>.

Update

• Senior Trip Refunds: Students should have received a voucher from Jet Blue airlines to their WWPRSD email. This voucher is recompense for the flight of the Senior Trip. The voucher is good for 12 months (may be extended) and is transferable. Some students who were flying on United will receive a voucher with the name of a chaperone. This is not a mistake; it is now the child's

voucher. Students should follow instructions in the Jet Blue email. We are still waiting for other refunds from Disney and will provide updates as soon as we have more information. Aside from the airlines, all remaining refunds, which are yet to be determined, will be sent to parents from WWPRSD in the form of a check.

- **Google Classroom by Graduating Class**: Students are reminded, if they have not done so already, they should join the Google Classroom associated with their graduating class to ensure they are receiving important messages from their school counselor. If your son/daughter has not already joined and requires the classroom code, please have them email the school counselor.
- **AP Exams:** Additional information/details will be sent via email by the AP coordinators as it becomes available to all parents with students registered to take an AP exam this year.
- **Spam Folder:** During this period of virtual/remote learning, our teachers will be reaching out via phone and email to students and parents. Please check your spam filters to ensure that emails sent from your child(ren)'s teachers are being directed to your inbox and not your spam folder.

District Updates

• <u>District Website</u> | <u>COVID-19 Information</u> | <u>Virtual/Remote Learning Website</u>

Virtual Experiences and Activities

• Dr. Aderhold wanted to provide you with some fun educational activities to enjoy at home. Check out this list of <u>virtual experiences</u>.

Curriculum Corner

• Click <u>here</u> for a message on "Strengthening our Connections in Six Words or Less" from Beth Pandolpho, Teacher Resource Specialist for Curriculum and Instruction, grades 6-12.

Counseling and Wellness

• **Health Resources:** WW-P district nurses have pulled together <u>important health</u> <u>information</u> for families. Please check it out.

• **Counseling and Wellness:** The WW-P District Wellness Committee has created a <u>website</u> to promote the understanding that wellness is an active process of becoming aware of and making choices toward a healthy and fulfilling life. Students, families, and staff are encouraged to embed these self-care resources into their daily routine.

District Facilities

• **Playground Equipment and Athletic Fields**: As WW-P continues to sanitize our facilities and practice social distancing, all school playground equipment/athletic fields/courts/tracks/etc remain closed until further notice.

Food Services

- If your child(ren) receives food benefits, please check your email next week for instructions.
- If your financial situation has recently changed and you would like information on food benefits, please click <u>here</u> for details and to download the application.

Registration

 At this time, all student registration for incoming kindergarten students for the 2020-21 school year, as well as students moving into the WW-P Regional School District will be done by appointment and virtually until the district reopens.
Please <u>click here</u> for more information and to begin the process.

State Information

- State of New Jersey: <u>www.covid19.nj.gov</u> has been created as the official COVID-19 information hub for the State of New Jersey. The website includes up-to-date information, services, where to find assistance, job opportunities, and more.
- Remote Instruction Continues Through End of Academic Year: On May 4, Governor Murphy announced the closure of all school buildings through the end of the academic school year.
- A Program of Center for Food Action Hunger Free New Jersey: This non-profit organization is working with its partners to inform citizens of rapidly developing changes to address hunger during this crisis. For information and

resources on programs such as NJ school meals, SNAP, WIC, and more, please visit the organization's website.

Teacher Communication

 Parents have often used Genesis as a tool to monitor their child's progress. Our teachers realize that with this tool missing, there is a need for increased communication. Please trust that if your child is missing assignments or has not resubmitted an assignment that needed revision, the teacher will reach out to you. As always if you have specific questions about your child's progress, please initiate contact. However, if you do not hear from your child's teacher, you can rest assured that all student work is submitted and meets the learning standards.

Technology

 Broken Chromebook?: WW-P students with Chromebooks that are damaged or in need of repair should complete this <u>Google form</u> (students must log in to their Google account to access the form). Once the form has been completed, students or parents may bring the broken device to the front of High School North (90 Grovers Mill Rd., Plainsboro) on Tuesdays or Thursdays from 11 a.m. -2 p.m.

Communications

WW-P uses SchoolMessenger as our <u>district communication tool</u>.
SchoolMessenger integrates with Genesis. It is important to ensure that your contact information is up-to-date in Genesis so that you may receive emails/texts/calls from WW-P.

Virtual Community Events

Community groups and organizations are beginning to organize virtual events.
Click <u>here</u> for some upcoming virtual activities.

West Windsor-Plainsboro Education Foundation

• It's Teacher Appreciation Month! Show your appreciation to our heroic teachers and staff for their phenomenal work during this unprecedented time with a STAR.

During the month of May, you can honor your child's teacher, guidance counselor, principal, or a staff member who makes a difference in their life via the <u>STAR Campaign</u>. Your donation helps fund grants that enrich your child's education.

Board of Education Meeting

• Check out the upcoming <u>Board of Education Meeting</u> dates. Agenda and materials for Board meetings are published after 3:30 p.m. the Friday prior to the meeting.

Make sure to follow the district on WW-P's official social media pages.

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