

June 4, 2020

College Community Families,

Here we are at the end of the school year and what an unusual one it was! This is the final weekly parent letter that we will distribute but, as we all know, the situation related to COVID-19 changes frequently and so we will continue to communicate throughout the summer as we plan for our safe return to learning in the fall. Please check email and CCSD communication platforms often for relevant updates.

- Students will benefit from additional academic practice over the summer months. College Community teachers compiled a list of **summer learning resources** for students preschool-12th grade. The resources are available on our <u>homepage</u>.
- Please <u>see this link</u> for additional information about the precautions in place for our summer baseball and softball seasons.
- We have strict limitations on the number of fans that will be allowed at games. Only 2 family members for lower level and 3 family members for varsity are allowed admittance per athlete per game. Players will let coaches know the names of family members for each game. The passlist will be submitted for each game; home and away. **You must be on the list to attend the game.**
- The use of CCSD facilities <u>is not approved</u> for the purposes of out-of-season sports and activities through at least after July 1.
- For the continued safety of our community and in accordance with guidance from public health, all College Community facilities continue to be closed. This includes <u>ALL</u> of our fields, playgrounds, fitness facilities, and courts, for groups of any size. Use of trails and sidewalks for the purpose of walking and running continues to be allowed for individual or family use allowing for social distancing. We again thank you for your patience in the process and your shared commitment to our prevention efforts.

Here are additional updates for this week:

- Our Grab N Go Meals program ends today, June 4, 2020. If your children are in need of meals for the summer months, the following locations are available. These are sponsored by Cedar Rapids Schools, Monday through Friday from 10:30 AM 1:00 PM, and available for children 18 and younger.
 - Arthur Elementary, 2630 B Ave. NE
 - Grant Elementary, 254 Outlook Dr. SW
 - Grant Wood Elementary, 645 26th St. SE
 - Hoover Elementary, 4141 Johnson Ave. NW
 - Nixon Elementary, 200 Nixon Dr. (Hiawatha)
 - Taylor Elementary, 720 7th Ave. SW
 - Wright Elementary, 1524 Hollywood Blvd NE
 - Roosevelt Middle School, 300 13th St. NW
- The Governor has ended the moratorium on evictions and we understand that this may affect some of our families. If you are concerned about your housing situation and how that may impact your child, please contact our Homeless Liaison, Javier Rivera, at 848.5227 or your school counselor.
- Our building secretaries, administrators, and district office staff have returned to normal working hours on campus and are available to take your phone calls. We will announce when families can come on-site for purposes of registration and other school-related items. Until that announcement, we will continue to serve our public virtually or by appointment only. Any visitors by appointment are required to wear their own mask.
- If your child has an existing health condition for which they may need additional care when we return to school in the fall, please email your school nurse. It is never too early to start communicating about your son or daughter's anticipated medical needs for the year ahead, especially during these uncertain times. As our nurses prepare for returning to school with various new procedures and protocols in place related to COVID-19 for all students and staff,

their advanced knowledge of your child's specific health needs will allow us to be more fully prepared. Email addresses for all school nurses are available on the district website. You may also call your school office to leave a message or call the District Office at 319.848.5200 to speak with someone directly.

- For our incoming Kindergarten and Alternative Kindergarten families: There are no kindergarten or AK round up events this year. There is still, however, important health-related paperwork that must be completed for children to start school. Please be on the lookout for these health forms in the mail with directions for returning them to us.
- We continue to receive additional guidance from the Iowa Department of Education regarding the requirements for our Return to Learn plan. We are developing plans for the fall for all possible scenarios as we continue to learn new information day-to-day.
- Our archive of previous communications is on our website in a section titled "COVID-19 (Coronavirus) UPDATES" http://www.prairiepride.org/COVID19/

Have a safe and relaxing summer! Thank you, once more, for the support of our students, staff, and community as we close out a school year to remember.

In Service,

Doug Wheeler, PhD Superintendent of Schools