

Wildcat Parents--

I hope that this email finds you healthy. These are challenging times and unprecedented events are constantly happening in connection with COVID-19. It is certainly our hope as a school community that every one of our Wildcat families is doing well. Here are some important details about the upcoming week and our high school:

1). A reminder of information sent out on Friday:

9th through 12th grade parents: Students will receive emails on Monday, March 23rd, with assignments that will need to be completed and returned to their teachers. These emails will be delivered to the student's BSSD email account. Please check with your child on Monday to ensure he/she has received the emails and has started on assignments. Our teachers will continue to provide assignments and feedback, including accommodations throughout the time schools are closed. If your child does not have access to email, we will have **packets** available, and these can be picked up on Monday, March 23, and Tuesday, March 24, from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. at the school. If you cannot pick up this **packet** and need the resources, please contact your school. We realize the importance of students working to complete credits to graduate. The BSSD is committed to making this happen.

2. If you are in need of a paper packet for your student, we will be available on Monday, March 23rd and Tuesday, March 24th between the hours of 11 am and 6 pm. We will be enforcing social distancing in order to ensure the safety of our students' families and staff. When you arrive at BSHS to pick up your child's packet, please follow the guidelines below:

- In preparation of picking up your student's packet, please write your student's name and grade level on a piece of paper. Be sure to write legibly and in a dark, bold color, big enough to be read from a short distance. We are asking you to follow this step as a way of reducing contact.
- Pull up to the sidewalk right outside the front entrance doors and stop.
- Do not park or exit your car.
- A staff member will be stationed there. If for some reason no one is there, please remain in your car and call the front office at 874-3400
- Please hold the piece of paper with your student's name on it so it can be read through the window.
- A staff member will bring your student's packet to you. Staff will be wearing gloves. We ask you to not engage in long conversations with staff. If you have questions/concerns, we are happy to visit with you over the phone or via email.
- If at all possible, we would ask you to pop the trunk of your car and the packets will be placed inside.
- If you get home and have questions about the work packet do not hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher or myself via email. We are here to continue supporting your child's needs to the best of our abilities.

3. Academic work starting the week of 3/30 and beyond: our teachers will continue to work hard in order to deliver meaningful academic work for the weeks that we are closed. Later this week we will be sending you and your student further details about the plan for the upcoming weeks, staff availability for questions, weekly expectations of when the work will be due, etc.

4. Please update your contact information: if your contact info has changed since the beginning of the 19-20 school year, please let us know by calling our school office during regular working hours - now more than ever we need to communicate via email, texts, and phone calls.

5. Future spring events: at this point all regular spring events are on hold. This includes but is not limited to prom, spring concerts, Senior Scholarship Awards Night, spring sports, etc. Obviously, any event between now until the end of April is postponed. We will share updates, rescheduled events, and cancellations as decisions are made regarding any high school events. We know that many students, staff, parents, and extended families are disappointed at the timing of this pandemic - we make so many great memories in the spring with these school events. We are still hopeful that some of these events can take place in May.

6. Meals for those in need: BSHS has been designated as an eligible feeding site by the Department of Health and Senior Services. A grab and go meal will be available in a drive through service from 11am to 1pm. This will take place Monday through Friday.

Thank you, we are hoping everyone in the Wildcat family stays healthy and safe!



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