

April 30, 2021

Highland CUSD No. 5 Parents and Staff,

Finally, we have survived to what looks to be good weather for the rest of the school year. We are very excited about the busy next couple of weeks with seniors finishing up, hosting honor's nights at HMS and HHS as well as graduation and baccalaureate. We have many end of the year activities going on in all of our schools. This is a great time of the year to celebrate the accomplishments of our students and in some cases the end of careers of our teachers and staff. I would like to extend a huge THANK YOU and CONGRATULATIONS to all of our students and staff who have persevered through one of the most challenging years in history.

Here are some significant end of year dates and times:

- Last Regular Day of School for Seniors – Tuesday, May 4th
- Final Exams for Seniors – Wednesday, May 5th and Thursday, May 6th
- Last Day of School – Thursday, May 20th
 - HP and HE dismiss at 11:00 a.m.
 - AP and GE dismiss at 11:05 a.m.
 - HMS and HHS dismiss at 12:35 p.m.
- HHS Final Exams for 9-11 grades – May 19th and May 20th

We have many other important dates for programs, banquets, etc. Information for those events will be communicated through the appropriate channels.

As we approach the end of the school year, please know that we continue to monitor changes in COVID guidance and any information we can provide for next school year. We anticipate online registration for the 2021-2022 school year will be open on July 1. Throughout the next several months, I will be providing updates as to how next year will look. It will likely be July or August before we have any concrete plans for next school year. Let's hope that everything resembles some sense of normalcy😊

COVID numbers this week: Highland Primary reported zero new positive cases and 3 new quarantines due to outside exposure. Alhambra Primary reported zero positive cases and zero quarantines. Highland Elementary reported zero new positive cases and 1 student quarantined due to outside exposure. Grantfork Elementary reported zero new positive cases and 1 student quarantined due to outside exposure. Highland Middle School reported 1 new positive cases resulting in 8 students quarantined. Highland High School reported zero new positive cases and zero new quarantines.

We have had a wonderful week and hope it keeps on coming through the end of the year. Take some time this weekend to get out and enjoy some fresh air and sunshine. May madness starts Monday, have a great weekend!

Sincerely,

Michael S. Sutton, Superintendent