

April 1st, 2020

Dear Parents & Guardians

On Tuesday, March 31st, the Illinois State Governor extended our quarantine, and closed all Illinois schools until April 30th of this year. Remote learning will be extended from April 7th to April 30th. Should that change we will update you as we learn more.

Just a reminder, if your student does not have access to Google Classroom, please contact the High School office between the hours of 8:20 & 2:00 and speak with our secretaries as other arrangements will be made. Once the high school has a list of students needing to make other arrangements we will contact you to set them up.

So, what does this mean for your Unity High School student(s)?

Health Life Safety: Our number one concern is your student's safety. The Unity High School campus remains closed until April 30th. No students or parents may be in the high school building or on the high school campus. Breakfast/Lunch pickups will continue to take place on the East Side of the building every Monday & Wednesday from 9:30-10:30. No sign ups are necessary.

****No meals will be served on Monday April 13th due to our previously planned Easter Break.***

Education:

Teachers will continue to assign new content through Google Classroom in an attempt to minimize the educational gap between today and our students return to school. Grades can be given to students on this work but only as a means of feedback and support. In addition, students will be given the opportunity to make up any missed work in an effort to improve their grades. All work shared with our students from today until their return can only be counted as "Complete/Pass" or "Incomplete". In no way can your student's grades diminish during this quarantine. Teachers will routinely be checking their Google Classroom and email. Should you or your students have any questions please feel free to email them.

Students who have an Individualized Educational Plan (IEP) are encouraged to continue working not only with their regular education teachers but their case managers also. All case managers will be reaching out to all students with IEP's.

****No materials will be shared with students over the previously planned April 9-13 Easter Break.***

Drivers Education:

Fortunately the Illinois State Board of Education count remote learning for those students enrolled in driver's education classes. This means that if you are enrolled in driver's education classes for the 4th quarter you will not need to make up the class. However, you will still need to finish your 6 hours of instructor driving. As soon as we return we will be scheduling students based on their birth dates to drive. I'm sharing this with you because this may make it impossible for some students to get their driver's license by their 16th birthday.

Activities/Events:

NHS/HOF Induction & Banquet has been cancelled. Students who have already been accepted as an incoming member of NHS and will not have to apply again next year. Students, please hold on to the forms Mrs. Decker mailed and she will collect those once we return to school. Let Mrs. Decker know if you have any additional questions.

Prom on Saturday April 25th has been postponed. Should we return to school on May 1st our goal is to have prom on Saturday, May 9th at the high school, pending restrictions. Please understand that if the state continues to impose "group size" restrictions even after we return we may not be able to host a prom.

Job Shadowing on April 29th has been cancelled and may be re-scheduled?

Please continue to check the Unity High School website for additional information as it becomes available and stay safe!

Thank You,

Phil Morrison

Principal