



SUPERIOR CENTRAL SCHOOLS



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Dear Superior Central Parents and Caregivers,

Superior Central values education and takes pride in the learning that occurs within our school building. This year we have been presented a challenge like no other. Administrators are planning and teachers are scrambling to put together the best possible resources and assignments to ensure that your child continues to learn. This is as new to us as it is to you.

Over the next eight weeks, students are expected to participate in school. That may be online through Google Classroom or other websites managed by your child's teacher. It may be a packet of work to keep your child focused and sharp on school skills. Teachers will also be connecting with your students through weekly Zoom meetings or telephone calls. The well-being of your child is still as important to us as their education.

Recall the "Summer Slide" – the beautiful summer months that often lead to a regression of student skills upon returning to school in September. The mandated school closure as a result of COVID-19 leads us to believe that in September we will encounter an even greater summer slide. We are planning for the teaching and reteaching of previous years' skills in every grade. **However, we are also hoping to count on you, parents, to ensure that your child is not greatly impacted by this closure.**

If you are an **Elementary** parent, we implore your help in ensuring that your child completes the online activities and/or paper packet provided by your child's teacher. Retention of skills and school habits are of the utmost importance. A little school now and throughout the summer will result in less remediation later. Your child may need your direction, but also the practice of working on his/her own. We encourage you to set a time and place in your home for "school." If your child tires, take a break. Build in rewards for effort. Don't forget Recess! 😊 Recommended times for school are as follows:

Kindergarten – 30 min (minimum) to 90 min (maximum) *with breaks
1 st – 2 nd grade – 45 min (minimum) to 90 min (maximum) *with breaks
3 rd – 5 th grade – 60 min (minimum) to 120 min (maximum) *with breaks



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Middle School and High School run a little differently than elementary. Students in these grades go to individual classes with different teachers. Participation is required and expected. Your student should be logging in to his/her Superior Central Google account every day. Assignments and resources will be posted there. For those families without Internet access, teachers will be sending paper materials home for your child. The goal is to continue to spark interest in learning and retain information already taught up until March 13. Because classes are taken for “credit”, the chart below outlines the expectations for students based on their grade in each class as of March 13th. Failure to meet the expectation will result in “No Credit”. If you are having difficulty, please contact your teacher. Our goal is for all students to pass.

Check your grade in PowerSchool	You will get credit for the class if you:
A-B-C	Complete at least 50% of work/participate in class meetings or teacher calls.
D	Complete at least 60% of work/participate in class meetings or teacher calls.
F	Your teacher will contact you regarding a plan for you to pass the class.

As we begin this new plan for the rest of the school year, please contact us if you have any questions or concerns. We understand that this may be a difficult time for your student. Motivation may be a challenge. For the younger students, keep it fun! For the older students, effort will make all the difference. Remember, this is new for all of us. Teachers have never done this before either. Thank you for your continued support to help us educate your child.

Sincerely,

Bill Valima
Superintendent/Principal

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Assistant Principal/Special Programs Coordinator