Hartington-Newcastle Public Schools

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Mission Statement: To develop students of character while empowering them to achieve personal success

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Students & Parents of Hartington-Newcastle 7-12 Grade Students -

We are now entering our 3rd week of online learning via Zoom meetings, and I think I speak for everyone when I say that I wish we could all be back together in our building. I appreciate all of the efforts that our teaching staff and our parents and guardians are making when it comes to educating our students. Everyone deserves a big "thank you" for the work that has been done up to this point in the virtual portion of our school year.

I am writing this letter today to be sure that everyone is on the same page regarding Homework and Zoom Class Sessions.

I'll start with Homework. Students need to turn in all of their homework to teachers to be graded. <u>We will not accept any work after Friday, May 15</u>, so it is important that your student(s) gets all of his/her work handed in on time. Please be sure that your student(s) communicates frequently with your teacher if he/she is unsure of how to complete work or if there is a question about whether or not all of the required work has been completed.

Our teachers are holding Zoom Classes every day of the school week. Odd-numbered days are when we hold class for our odd-numbered periods, and even-numbered days are when we hold class for our even-numbered periods. Classes run for a maximum of 30 minutes with a 15-minte break in-between each period. Please visit the hnscats.org website to find more details on this schedule, which can be found under "ELearning."

Zoom sessions are required for all students to attend. The only exceptions to this are families who have contacted the school to document specific reasons why attending would not be possible. Your child should be in every Zoom session for every period they have class. This has been our expectation from day one, and we expect that to carry through our last day of classes.

The last day of teaching and learning via Zoom will be on Wednesday, May 13. At this time, we are working on how we will collect Chromebooks, school books, and other materials. When that plan is set, we will be making contact with families to share that information.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the information. Students, please finish the year strong! We miss you dearly!

Sincerely,

Corey Uldrich

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