

May 2020

Dear NBASD Families,

I hope this letter finds you well and managing through this challenging time. The closure of school for the remainder of the year has set in motion various plans that the district administration has been working on since we left school on March 13, 2020. I wanted to take this opportunity to update you on some key areas that I know are on the minds of many as we face this unprecedented situation. I encourage you to contact your child(ren)'s Principal if you have additional questions.

School Calendar

The school year will end on Thursday, June 4 as planned on the original calendar.

Cafeteria Services

We will continue to provide breakfast and lunch services through Wednesday, June 3. There will be no meal service on Monday, May 25, 2020 in observance of Memorial Day. Following, June 3, the summer feeding program within Beaver County will begin. Information will be shared in the next few weeks regarding the summer feeding program.

Student Items & Lockers

We are preparing a student pick-up in early June. Belongings will be returned to students via a drive-through system where we will load school items and locker contents into vehicles. This will be a no-contact procedure.

Return of Books, Library Books, School Materials, Technology Items, Athletic Uniforms, etc.

Also in early June, and hopefully in coordination with Student Items Pick-Up, families should return district items to the school. Additional details will be released.

Graduation

The graduation ceremony will be held on Wednesday, June 3 at 6:00 p.m. Please note that this is one day earlier than the original calendar. Further information will be provided to families in the coming days.

Caps & Gowns

Seniors' caps and gowns will be delivered on May 21. Stay tuned for more details on this special event!

High School Transcripts

Seniors should contact Mrs. Gentile in the High School Guidance Office if they need an end-of-year transcript sent to any post-secondary institutions, scholarship programs, etc. You may reach Mrs. Gentile at sgentile@nbasd.org.

Start of the Year – 2020 – 2021 School Year

We are working on plans for the 2020-2021 school year and we will provide updates throughout the summer. We recognize that many spring time activities like Step-Up days, school visits, some schedule decisions for our high school students, and so forth were not able to occur. We will attempt to replicate some of these items during the summer, as well as hopefully host our traditional Orientation sessions in August. We will continue to monitor the recommendations of the Department of Health and CDC to determine our next steps. Our website, social media sites, and School Messenger will provide updates.

Fall Athletics

The PIAA and WPIAL have suspended all school athletics through June 30. We are awaiting further guidance from them to determine how we can proceed into the fall seasons.

Health Needs for Students in 2020-2021

If your child is entering Kindergarten, 7th grade, or 12th grade there are specific immunizations required. While the requirements for compliance have not changed, we understand that doctors are not seeing patients for routine visits. We encourage you to contact your child's pediatrician to make an appointment when they return to normal office service and to develop a plan to be up-to-date with immunizations. Additionally, students in Kindergarten, 3rd, 6th, 7th, and 11th grades have various requirements for physicals and dental screenings. We will work with families during 2020-2021 to reach compliance with the state requirements. We are awaiting further guidance from the Department of Health regarding immunization and medical requirements and will provide that guidance to our families when it is received.