


Weekly Information Blast: July 15, 2020

This week's blast is extremely short and sweet, as we encourage everyone to ATTEND OUR VIRTUAL COMMUNITY MEETING TOMORROW EVENING!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The SCCSD will host a Virtual Community Meeting via *Zoom and Facebook Live*, Thursday, July 16th at 6:00 pm (if you are unable to access through Zoom, you will be able to watch via Facebook Live). Questions and concerns that have been submitted from various stakeholders (and even questions that have not been submitted) will be answered by a panel of school district leadership. Listeners/Viewers will hear about the following: general plan for re-opening and how the decision was made, options for virtual learning, cleaning procedures and how CDC guidelines will be followed, how transportation will look, how will positive tests/exposure be traced and handled, what will testing/grading/assignments look like, will there be athletics, and other information as well. The district has been planning for our children, their families, and our staff since April because failing to plan was simply not an option. This is an uncertain time for us all, but we will get through it together!

<p>Sunflower County Consolidated School District Superintendent Miskia Davis and the SCCSD Board of Trustees</p>  <h1 style="color: yellow;">Virtual Community Meeting</h1> <h2 style="color: yellow;">Thursday, July 16, 2020 @ 6pm</h2> <p>Stakeholders will be able to hear about the plans that the district has been making over the last few months in preparation for the 2020-2021 school year. Questions regarding re-opening that you hope to be addressed in the meeting must be submitted by Tuesday, July 14th at 12:00 pm.</p>	
<p>Questions can be submitted in the following spaces:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">✦ sccsdmedia@sunflower.k12.ms.us✦ via Facebook Messenger to the district✦ on the district's facebook page (TeamSCCSD)✦ on the district's Twitter account (@SCCSD2)✦ by calling the Central Office (662.887.4919).	<p>The log-in/call-in information is below: Join Zoom Meeting</p> <p>Meeting ID: 871 3715 3262 Password: 204428</p> <hr/> <p>ONE TAP MOBILE</p> <p>+13017158592,,87137153262#,,,0#,,204428# US (Germantown)</p> <p>+13126266799,,87137153262#,,,0#,,204428# US (Chicago)</p>

Weekly Information Blast: July 8, 2020

Tentative Re-Open Plan (Updated)

As it currently stands, schools in Mississippi will be expected to resume this fall. **The SCCSD will now open on August 10, 2020 (this is a change from the original date of August 6th).** The tentative plan will be to divide each school's student population in half. One half will report on Mondays and Wednesdays, while the other half reports on Tuesdays and Thursdays. A group of students from the 4 days will report on Fridays based on needs. While students are away from school, they will be working virtually on assignments from their on-site days. Group determinations are currently being made, with consideration of families. Parents will be notified of the specific days. Children in the same houses are being grouped together. More information will be forthcoming as the plan is further developed. Feel free to contact us with questions/concerns (sccsdmedia@sunflower.k12.ms.us).

Safety in Re-Opening

As a district, we recognize that implementing safe measures is of the utmost importance in mitigating the risk of Coronavirus. Funds are being utilized to purchase cleaning items and equipment, and staff are being trained on cleaning methods, as this will have to occur daily, several times each day. Classrooms, buildings, and buses are being set up for social distancing and cleaning.

Masks (School Uniforms)

The Sunflower County Consolidated School District Board of Trustees voted to make masks part of the school uniform for the upcoming school year. Please begin preparing for this now!

Technology Protection Measures and Internet Safety Policies

The COVID-19 pandemic has forced districts across the country to implement virtual learning opportunities in an effort to continue learning in the event of future shutdowns. Please view policies approved by the SCCSD Board of Trustees at the following link: [Technology and Internet Use](#)

COVID-19 Mythbusters

With so much information regarding the Coronavirus, unfortunately, there is also an abundance of misinformation as well. Check out this week's myth and factual response!

Myth: Heat (through sunlight and ingesting hot foods/liquids) keeps COVID-19 away.

Fact: You can catch COVID-19 no matter how hot or sunny the weather is. Sunbathing or being outside in the heat and fresh air may feel better, but neither provides protection from the virus. Hot peppers or hot liquids may be delicious, but they do not cure or prevent COVID-19.

The best prevention continues to be practicing social distancing, washing/sanitizing your hands regularly, and wearing a mask when in public.

General Information (Updated)

District Office and School Hours Moving Forward:

July 6-10: Mon.-Thurs. (9:00-3:00); Fri. (9:00-12:00)

July 13-17: Mon. -Thurs. (9:00-4:00); Fri. (9:00-2:00)

July 20-24: Mon.-Thurs. (8:30-4:30); Fri. (8:30-3:00)

July 27-31: Mon.-Fri. (8:00-5:00) for Central Office; Mon.-Fri. (8:00-4:00) for Schools

August 3-7: Mon.-Fri. (8:00-5:00) for Central Office; Mon.-Fri. (7:00-4:00) for schools

School contact information as well as school websites can be found here:

<http://www.sunflower.k12.ms.us/?PN=Schools2>. The Central Office's (Hwy 49) number is 662.887.4919 and the Administrative Building's number is 662.884.1200. If you have additional questions or concerns that a specific school or office is unable to assist you with, please email sccsdmedia@sunflower.k12.ms.us. The district website is www.sunflower.k12.ms.us and will have all pertinent information. If you are on Social Media, please check out our district's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/TEAMSCCSD/?ref=bookmarks> (search "TEAMSCCSD"). Also follow us on Twitter @SCCSD2. *Parents/Guardians please update your contact information so that you will be able to receive district information through our call and text systems.*